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At our March/April meeting we had as our guest speaker, the witness to the Close Encounter of the First Kind case, which occurred on Pinebush Road, Cambridge, on November 18, 1980. (See Volume II, Issue 4, December, 1980 Newsletter). We reviewed the case and asked her further questions. Shortly after the sighting, grey blotchy marks appeared on her hands and arms. These marks were thumb print size and remained for a couple of days. They were not itchy. She doesn't know why they appeared and they haven't reappeared. She has had three dreams since the close encounter. Each dream has been identical. The details are as follows:

-She dreams that she is sitting in a chair, her arms are held down and she can't move

-She dreams she is laying flat and again, she can't move

-She is being poked all over

-She has the feeling that beings are there, but she can't visibly see anyone

-She is in a room with no windows, but the room is quite bright.

That is the extent of her dreams. If you read the original case in the Dec/80

Newsletter, you will note she has 15 minutes of lost time she cannot account for.

The witness has agreed to be hypnotized. Dr. Leo Sprinkle, the top UFO hypnotizer is going to be at the Muf on Convention held in Toronto on July 2,3,4. The witness



has agreed to accompany us to the Convention and allow Dr. Sprinkle to hypnotize her in order to find out what happened in those missing 15 minutes.

Note: Through correspondence with Dr. Sprinkle, I have since found out he is not going to attend this Convention, therefore I am in the process of finding another hypnotist.

CORRECTION: In the March, 1982, newsletter, I stated that Nick Bensond attended a UFO Convention in June, 1977. It should have read June 27, 1981.

I appeared on Grand River Cable TV, channel 4, on April 30th. I was interviewed for approximately 35 minutes and then there was a live phone-in. Some calls were rather ridiculous and some asked interesting questions. To give you an idea of one ridiculous call, a foreign lady called and said she and her daughter woke up New Year's Day with two needle marks on their necks. Did a UFO cause this, she asked - oh boy! Anyway, the program went over very well. I've attached the advertisement Cable TV inserted into the paper. The program was live, but taped and will be shown three more times.

At the May meeting we discussed the upcoming MUFON Convention. Sid, with his artistic talent, has drawn several life size posters of aliens, etc., to display in the room set aside for Ontario UFO groups at the Convention. They will be most effective.





Nick has arranged for Dr. Frank Stranges, editor of Journal UFO, Van Nuys, California, to speak in Kitchener on August 18, 19 and 20th, in the evening; tentatively from 7:00 P.M. to 10:00 P.M. Nick has booked the Conestoga Inn for this Seminar. Dr. Stranges will speak on UFO's and alien visitation. This will be open to the public and we will have to publicize it heavily. Flyers will be ready and handed out at the MUFON Convention. Dr. Stranges will be arriving the Sunday before the Seminar and Nick is going to arrange for Dr. Stranges to appear on radio and TV talk shows for advance publicity. Pat Delafranier, President of Stratford UFO Research Team has kindly agreed to assist in any way. We need a health turn out to make this Seminar a success.

Sid, Nick and Dave interviewed the residents in the Rockton Lion Safari area re the animal deaths, disappearances, etc., which was presented in the December newsletter. The residents had not seen or heard anything unusual. They were told to try the Clyde area, which they did. Sid uncovered many UFO sightings in that area and talked to a good number of people that had witnessed strange lights in the sky. This investigation is continuing. But Rockton drew a blank.

Nick brought his video tape to the meeting and we saw Morton Shulman and Stanton Friedman discussing/badgering UFO's. Other guests included a psychic, debunkers of paranormal, etc. There was quite an assortment of guests and this made for a most lively show. The show had been on TV in March, 1982.

*Bonnie Wheeler*

Bonnie Wheeler, President,  
Cambridge UFO Research Group.





# INTO THE UNKNOWN

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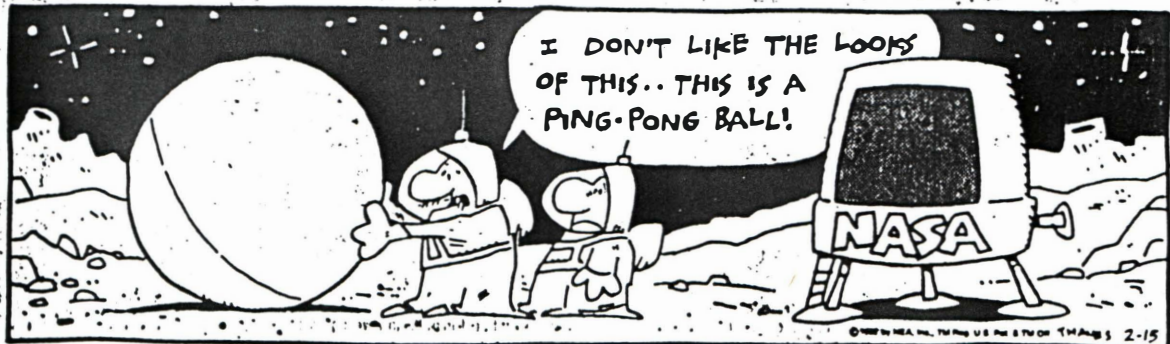
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UFO sightings have been so numerous around the world that a chart of the most reported shapes has been developed to help researchers in their investigative work. Bonnie Wheeler, president of the Cambridge UFO Research Group, points out a few of the most reported UFOs.



# Inside Today

UFOs

APRIL 5, 1982

Unusual and sometimes unexplainable sightings are investigated by a Cambridge-based group. The Cambridge UFO Research Group has checked out many stories of Unidentified Flying Objects. Page 13

## Unexplained sightings investigated by group

By LINDA MONDOUX  
Staff Writer

A 57-year-old woman is in bed sleeping. She feels someone staring at her and wakes up to find two beings in the open doorway.

The beings are dressed in silver-grey asbestos type outfits with transparent helmets. No facial features can be seen. Where a face should have been, the woman sees only a shiny propeller blade going round and round.

The beings, each about three feet tall, illuminate the room with a bright light which shines off their forms. After about 30 seconds, they vanish, leaving the room pitch black and the woman restless until morning.

This is not a tale from Rod Serling's *Twilight Zone*. It is one of many experiences unexplained happenings investigated by Bonnie Wheeler, president of the UFO Cambridge UFO Research Group.

Mrs. Wheeler, a purchasing agent at Polysar, started the group in 1976 because of an avid interest in the subject of Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOs). Although she has never sighted a UFO, she takes her investigation work seriously.

"It's an interest I'll never grow out of," said Mrs. Wheeler. "It's mind-boggling. Is it a force coming from a different dimension, an extraterrestrial force, or is it coming from within?"

Mrs. Wheeler, like other UFO researchers around the world, hopes her investigative work and sharing of information will some day bring the truth to light.

The Cambridge group numbers close to 25 members, drawn from the city, Kitchener-Waterloo and Hamilton. The group is a blend of every age, sex and walk of life. Among the members are an astronomer, a salesman, a nurse and an interior decorator.

A number of UFO sightings have been reported and investigated in the Cambridge area, among them a landing which occurred on the outskirts of Galt in the 1940s. Large foot prints left at the scene baffled police and army officials called in to investigate what was believed to have been an alien aircraft. The sighting is well recorded in UFO research books.

Three UFO sightings were reported in Cambridge in the first two months of 1982. Mrs. Wheeler said all three sightings were classified as nocturnal light experiences where a bright light was seen performing unusual manoeuvres in the sky.

Most sightings are referred to Mrs. Wheeler by Waterloo regional police and the Waterloo-Wellington Airport. From there, the investigation begins.

The thoroughness of the investigation depends on the sighting classification. Investigations of nocturnal-light experiences, for instance, can be done over the telephone.

Classifications include nocturnal light; radar visual—where an object or light is seen and confirmed by radar; daylight disc—where an object or light is seen in the daytime; close encounter of the first kind—where an object is seen within 500 feet; close encounter of the

second kind—where an object is seen and evidence such as landing marks and electrical interference is left behind; and close encounter of the third kind—where entities are seen.

Mrs. Wheeler said hundreds of the latter sightings have been reported around the world. She personally investigated such a sighting in Hamilton a few years ago where a witness chased a robot-like being down the street.

Investigations involve two or more members of the group who go to the reported landing site, record all visible evidence and take soil samples.

"I investigated one in Grand Bend where there was a landing in a corn field," said Mrs. Wheeler. "The corn was bent and twisted in the most peculiar way."

Investigations of sightings other than nocturnal-light experiences involve in-depth questioning of the witness and recreation of the scene.

"Any close encounter makes such an impression on the mind that they will never forget it," said Mrs. Wheeler. "But we try to interview the witness as soon after the sighting as possible when all the details are still fresh in their mind."

Mrs. Wheeler said she is excited about the upcoming UFO convention to be held in Toronto in July. The convention is the first in Canada.

The heads of UFO organizations around the world are expected to attend and Mrs. Wheeler hopes to come back from the convention with a greater understanding of what to date has been left to speculation and the imagination.



# We're primitive compared to aliens: Wheeler

by Rob Preidt

It's possible that mankind's belligerent attitude may be discouraging celestial sightseers from landing on earth and asking to be taken to the leader.

"We're hostile and also a little on the primitive side compared to them (aliens)," said Bonnie Wheeler, president of the Cambridge UFO Research Group.

Fortunately for us, the off-worlders temperaments are the opposite of ours.

"They could have annihilated us long ago," claimed Wheeler, who launched the group in 1976 after some urging from colleagues in the Waterloo-Wellington Society for Psychic Research.

Membership presently numbers 22 and includes earth people from Cambridge, Kitchener, Waterloo and some from Hamilton. Membership costs \$15 per year or \$10 is charged for a subscription to the newsletter.

Wheeler said that members come from all walks of life and include people who have an interest in UFOs and others who have experienced a sighting and wanted to join a group studying UFOs.

The group meets once a month and invites guest speakers and witnesses of sightings to address the group. It also presents videotapes of shows dealing with UFOs.

"Our purpose is basically to investigate UFO phenomena," explained Wheeler who, interestingly enough, is not a fan of science fiction. She finds it too far fetched.

People who have had an experience with a UFO are directed to the Cambridge group by the police. Then Mrs. Wheeler and her group try to determine what the person saw.

Mrs. Wheeler said that sightings can be broken down into several categories and these dictate how thoroughly the incident can be investigated.

There are daylight discs, nocturnal lights, radar visuals and four different classifications of close encounters. A close encounter of the first kind occurs when an object is sighted within 500 ft. If a craft is sighted within 500 ft. and leaves fiscal evidence of its visit, such as burn rings, it is classified as a close encounter of the second kind.

Close encounters of the third kind are considered to have taken place if both the craft and the alien beings were observed and, if actual physical contact with the alien takes place, it is considered a close encounter of the fourth kind.

Mrs. Wheeler said that there have been instances of close encounters of the third kind in the Cambridge area.

She approaches an investigation with an open mind. It's "up to the person to prove to me what they saw was an actual occurrence."

There are a number of tests the group conducts to determine whether the sighting involved a UFO or an identified flying object (IFO). The tests vary according to the classification the sighting falls under.

A standard question sheet determines the time and place of the sighting and the characteristics of the craft. The group can then cross check with Waterloo-Wellington airport to determine if any aircraft might be the subject of a sighting.

One member is an astronomer who can plot bright stars and

planets which might have been mistaken for a UFO. If the incident was a close encounter of the second kind, the soil samples can be tested at the University of Guelph. Photographs are sent to an organization in Arizona which can perform computer analysis on the pictures to determine their authenticity.

Mrs. Wheeler said that no real patterns have emerged for sightings.

"It's just a matter of being in the right place at the right time." She paused and then added with a smile, "or some would say the wrong place at the wrong time."

The majority of cases she said are never brought to the attention of the public because people who have had a sighting are reluctant to let it become widely known.

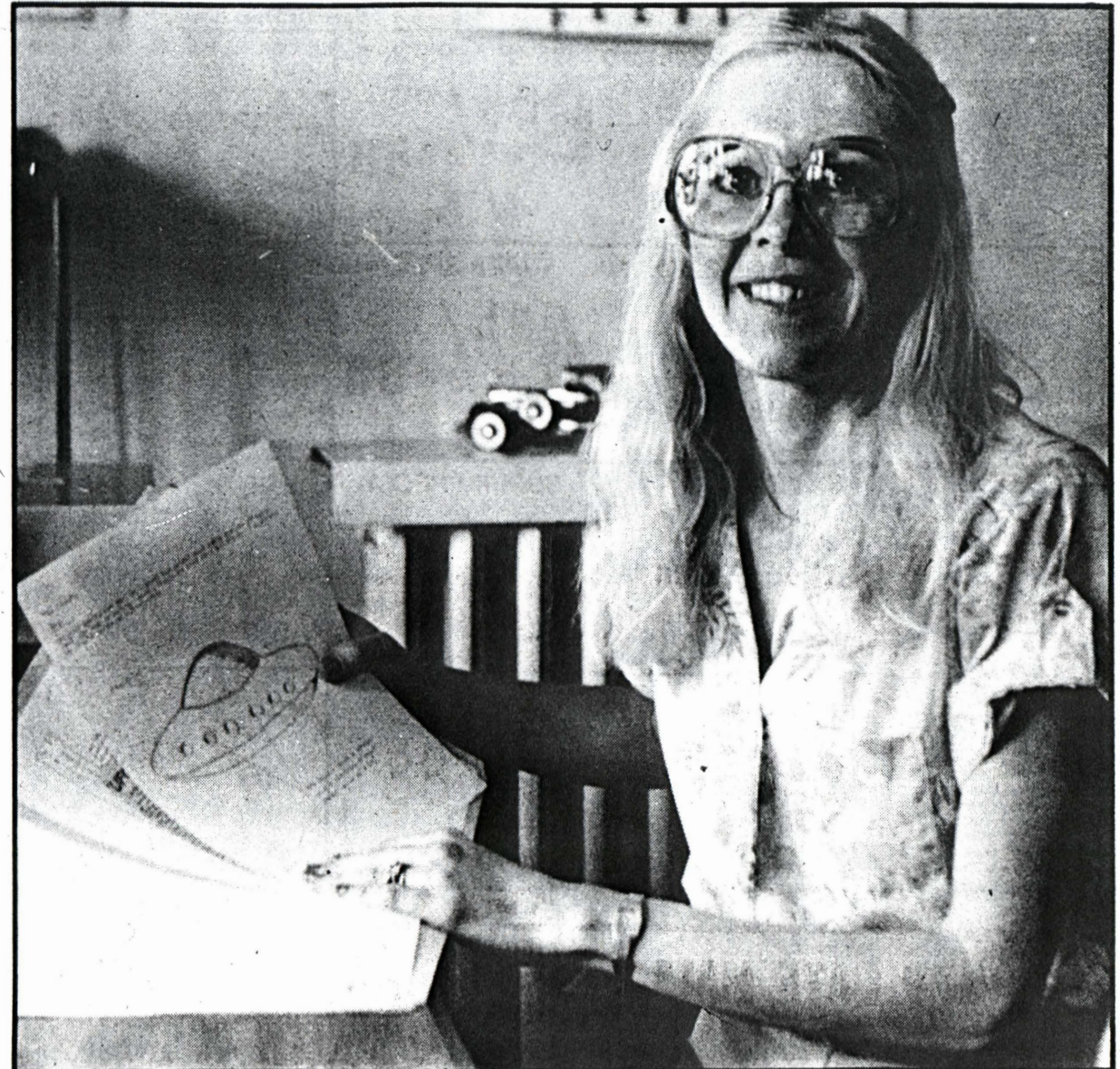
"People are still a little wary of the subject. They want to report a sighting to someone who will not laugh or ridicule them."

Nevertheless, with more information becoming available through movies, books and studies, people are, "a little more willing to believe and talk about it. They're much more receptive than several years ago, due to the information coming forth lately."

Mrs. Wheeler feels that the extraterrestrials are, "obviously intelligent," and this is proven by the very fact they can visit Earth. She feels the reason they're hovering above is due to scientific curiosity.

And what convinces her there is actually life out in the vast expanse of the cosmos?

"The universe is absolutely monstrous, so to say we are the only planet that supports life in our galaxy is ... absurd. There just has to be other life supporting solar systems out there."



Bonnie Wheeler, president of the Cambridge UFO Research Group, keeps files on all the incidents which her group investigates. These include drawings of what the witness saw.



# A close encounter with a UFO believer

By RONALD BOYD  
St. Petersburg Times Staff Writer

Timothy Beckley swears he'll have the last laugh.

After 20 years on the elusive UFO trail, investigating sightings of ETs (extra terrestrials), chatting with earthlings who swear they have gone for a saucer spin and examining squiggly photographs of "starships" zipping over corn fields and mobile-home parks, Beckley believes his day is at hand.

The articulate, moon-faced publisher of the New York-based *UFO Review*, the only publication devoted entirely to UFOs in America, is more convinced than ever that Earth is being visited by outer-space aliens, some of whom are living here, holding jobs and even paying taxes.

**HE HOPES** that any day now these "saucerians" will go public with a big splash — TV bulletins, thick newspaper headlines, an expanded version of *Nightline*, the whole bit.

Beckley first became a UFO cowboy at age 14, after he says he saw a saucer near his home in New Jersey. Soon he was publishing a UFO newsletter that eventually expanded into today's 25,000-circulation *UFO Report*.

Other publishing ventures as the film critic for *Hustler* magazine and editor of *Front Page Disasters* and *Moped Action* magazines never dulled the 34-year-old Beckley's interest in UFOs.

In St. Petersburg recently to interview a teacher who swears she was abducted by saucerians, Beckley allowed that some of the more outrageous UFO reports can be dismissed as lunacy.

"Some of these UFO stories obviously sound incredible and far-fetched. But from the sheer volume of reports alone, something has got to be going on. I just wish this whole thing would come out in the open once and for all. These people can't all be looney."

But, then again, there are a few.

"Oh, sure, I get all kinds of kooks in my office," admits Beckley. "There's one guy who calls up all the time with stories of aliens establishing a base inside his air conditioner."

But nuts are easy to spot and dismiss, he adds. It's the persistence of reports from around the world of hard-to-explain UFO sightings that make him wonder.

Item: A TV news crew films several UFOs from an airplane flying over New Zealand in 1979. The brilliant objects are sighted by six

policemen on the ground as well and tracked on an airport radar screen.

Item: Defense Department reports obtained by the *Washington Post* under the Freedom of Information Act detail how during two weeks in 1976, a string of the nation's super-sensitive nuclear-missile sites and bomber bases were visited by unidentified, low-flying and elusive objects. Air Force jets that scrambled to intercept the brightly lighted UFOs could not track or detain the fast-moving objects.

Item: Two Iranian Air Force Phantom fighter jets were scrambled to intercept a brightly lighted object in the skies near Tehran in 1976. According to a U.S. Defense Department report, the object was tracked by Iranian ground radar, seen independently by the crew of a commercial airliner and pursued by the jets, which, according to the report, experienced a communications breakdown as they neared the object. One of the plane's weapon systems went dead when its pilot prepared to fire a missile at a smaller object that appeared to roar out from the larger one, according to the report. The Iranians described the larger object, with colored, fast-flashing lights, as the size of a Boeing 707 jetliner.

Item: Astronaut Gordon Cooper has repeatedly claimed the U.S. government knows considerably more about UFOs than it is willing to disclose. In a televised interview with Merv Griffin, Cooper called a report that the government has examined a UFO and its alien occupant "fairly credible."

**ACCORDING TO** Beckley, governments that know about alien visits are part of a "cosmic coverup" to protect their own interests and avoid panicking the public.

"I don't think people would panic if they knew these 'people' are not hostile," he adds. "The military might slip out, because they know there isn't a defense against these ships."

But, not to worry, the ETs are not here to take over, he says.

"The aliens have their own world and lives. Why should they get mingled into our lives?" asks Beckley.

Instead, ETs tell witnesses that Earth is some kind of a big experimental lab and that they drop by every once in a while to see how things are going.

Beckley, who travels around the world with a plaster likeness of an alien's head tucked



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away in a gym bag, figures there are three basic types of ETs hanging out on Earth these days:

First are the aliens who look just like your neighbors. Unless you spot them next to their saucer or in a spacesuit, you'd never know the difference, says Beckley.

But don't let looks fool you, they are still ETs, capable of some pretty sophisticated tricks, including reading your thoughts and vanishing in a flash, he says.

Next, there's the "little alien man" type. About 3½ to 4½ feet tall, these guys are "basically human," according to Beckley. But their high indented foreheads, thin lips, pointed ears and saucer-like eyes make them easy to pick out of a lineup.

**THE THIRD TYPE** of ETs definitely are not crowd-mixers. Beckley calls them the "strange saucerians." They include "big-foot creatures," "hairy humanoids" and "monstrous animal creatures."

Strange saucerians are often spotted in remote areas at the same time UFOs are sighted in the vicinity, he says.

According to Beckley, this class of ETs includes some well-known local legends, such as "Mothman," a giant man-like bird that flies around Point Pleasant, W.Va.; "The Jersey Devil," a flying, devil-like creature with glowing red eyes that takes to the air on foggy nights along the south Jersey coast; and "Big Bird," a critter that buzzes cars in Texas and has no known relationship to the Muppets.

For some reason, strange saucerians of the hairy humanoid type have been pestering people near Rome, Ohio recently. Beckley says he interviewed a farmer and his family there who say they have been "besieged" by these huge aliens.

"There's a lot going on in Rome, Ohio right now," he added. "People have been firing guns at them (strange saucerians) and one farmer saw an object the size of a cigar box fly over."

Timothy Beckley displays the plaster likeness of an alien's head that tours the world with him.

Most of the encounters of a close kind with aliens are friendly, however. In fact, if you meditate and practice a certain chant, you can even attract aliens to you, claims Beckley.

"There has to be a very good reason for them to visit you. They don't have the time to come around and chat with everybody. They are here to observe and disseminate information," he explains.

**THE CHANT** that seems to attract aliens best is taken from an ageless Hindu prayer that goes *Ommmmm, Ommmmm, Ommmmm*.

Beckley warns chanters against wearing anything metallic: It might interfere with the transmission and could contribute to the skin burns often experienced when one does have a close encounter.

After chanting for a while, however, don't be surprised if your only close encounter is with sleep. Beckley admits that ETs are not interested in bringing glory or fame on any one person and it's very hard to predict their comings and goings.

Should some ETs stop by or should you bump into some on a country road, don't be put out if they don't say much. They often communicate through a form of mental telepathy, continues Beckley.

And saucerians are not much for meaningless chatter about the weather, either. Often, according to Beckley's research, they warn that mankind better get its act together, especially with nuclear power, or face extinction.

"There is evidence that they have been keeping an eye on us throughout history," he says. The evidence: Bible references such as Ezekiel's ladder and wall paintings from ancient cultures depicting what appears to be flying saucers.

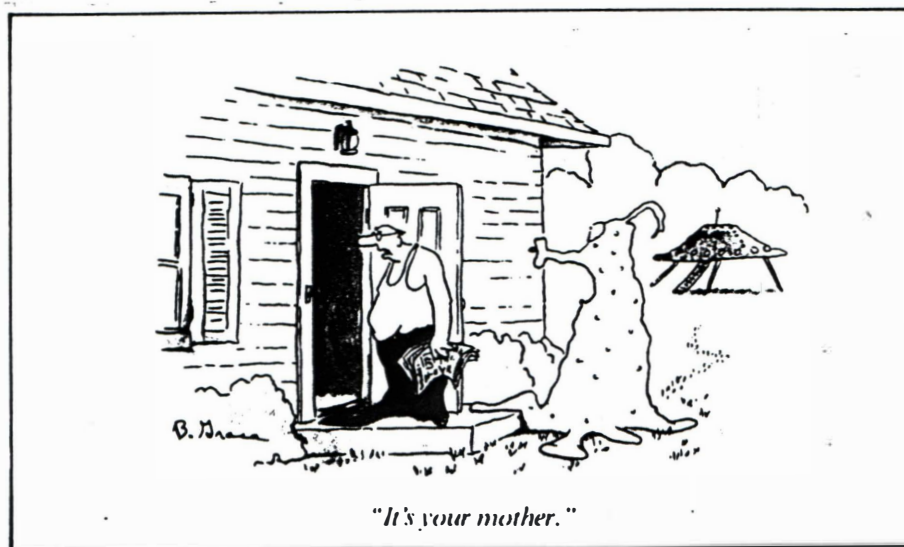
**ACCORDING TO** the Associated Press, about 10-million Americans claim they have had some form of encounter with a UFO. So many, in fact, that UFO therapy groups have been started around the country to help people deal with the emotional trauma and ridicule they often face after an encounter, says Beckley.

As for himself, he feels no need for such a group.

"People who know me, know I'm not a nut," he says. "As for those who don't, what does it matter?"



Tim Beckley of Global Communications has issued another very interesting book entitled "Gray Barker's UFO Annual". I recommend the purchase of this informative book. The contents of the book appear on the following page.





GRAY BARKER'S UFO ANNUAL

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Re Tim Beckley

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ARK" NOW TOPIC OF CONTROVERSIAL NEW BOOK

A British researcher who has made an extensive study of Biblical as well as other rare, historical, texts says there is ample evidence that the Ark of the Covenant as described in the Bible actually existed, and was both a nuclear reactor and a device by which Moses and the priests could talk directly to God.

"The Ark was more powerful than any modern-day atomic weapon," declares David Medina of London, author of a controversial new book titled GOD'S SECRET WEAPON: THE ARK OF THE COVENANT (\$8.95; Global Communications, 303 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10016). "It's power was devastating and if found and placed into the wrong hands the Ark could be the ultimate military weapon. According to the Old Testament, anyone, except for the priests who came near the Ark, died an immediate and painful death. The priests," says Medina, "had to wear protective clothing which consisted of a breastplate made up of 12 jewels that somehow acted to shield their bodies. The Ark might even have been capable of producing laser beams which might have been responsible for bringing down the walls of Jericho."

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Medina, also points out that the Ark of the Covenant had its positive side. "When the Israelites were in the desert the Ark seems to have been the vessel by which they were able to receive manna from heaven. The Ark was also used as a radio transmitter and receiver by which Moses and the other prophets were able to speak to the Lord and get a response." (see page 17)

The author states that another Ark could be built today, but that it would be very expensive because the original used a lot of gold in its construction. In GOD'S SECRET WEAPON, the author gives exact details and diagrams showing the size of the Ark and the tabernacle which housed it. He theorizes that the Ark was based upon information given to Moses by beings of a higher intelligence -- beings who possessed a technology thousands of years beyond where humankind stood at the time.

GOD'S SECRET WEAPON brings the Bible to life and shows that the miracles of this great holy book are as scientific as today's most technical physics.

The publisher expects this book to be one of its hottest selling books of the year.

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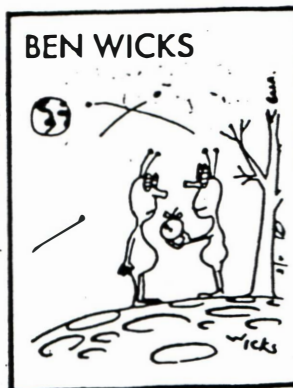


The June issue, 1982, of Inner Life had an article by David Haisell, entitled "UFO Insight". I have inserted this article.

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# U.F.O. INSIGHT

By David A. Haisell

For many years people have reported seeing strange, apparently unexplainable sights in the sky or even on land, water or underwater. The popular term associated with these sights has evolved from 'flying saucer' to 'UFO' to simply 'unidentified phenomenon.'

The so-called 'modern' period of sightings commenced June 24, 1947 with Kenneth Arnold's report of nine strangely behaving objects near Mount Ranier, Washington. It is ironic that the term 'flying saucer' was used by the media to refer to what Arnold saw because he described the objects as crescent-shaped, not disc-shaped. The only reference made by Arnold to the word 'saucer' was in describing their movement which he likened to "saucers skipping over water." Discs had however been reported before, and in fact the word 'saucer' was used to describe an incident occurring near Denison, Texas on January 24, 1878. The day following the sighting the Denison Daily News reported that John Martin, a local farmer, reported seeing a dark flying object in the shape of a disc cruising high in the sky "at a wonderful speed," and used the word 'saucer' to describe it.

Following Arnold's report, hundreds more poured in to the authorities. Some were even reported prior to Arnold's, but did not get the media attention his attracted. Government reaction was swift. In July 1947 the U.S. Air Force was officially charged with the responsibility of investigating 'unidentified aerial objects' to determine if they posed a latent threat to U.S. national security. In September, the chief of the Air Technical Intelligence Centre (ATIC) sent a communique to the Air Force Commanding General stating ATIC's conclusion that UFOs were real, and urging the establishment of a permanent project to analyze future reports.

Thus, on January 2, 1948, Project 'Sign' was established, with headquarters at Wright-Patterson AFB in Dayton, Ohio. In September a top-secret 'Estimate of the Situation' report went from ATIC to the Air Force Chief of Staff, General Hoyt S. Vandenberg. The report concluded that UFOs were interplanetary. However, Vandenberg requested more proof, but at the same time ordered ATIC to publicly take a low-key, almost negative attitude to the UFO problem. Because of internal disagreement among Sign's personnel, and the nagging worry that some sort of Soviet weapon might be involved, Project Sign was re-named Project Grudge, and reports were then evaluated on the premise that UFOs could not exist.

This was puzzling in light of the previous conclusions of ATIC, and many people began to sense a cover-up. Surprisingly, in spite of continuing announcements that all UFO reports were delusions caused by hysteria, and that Project Grudge was therefore being disbanded, the study was continued under a new project leader, A.F. Captain Edward J. Ruppelt. In March 1952 the name was once again changed, this time to the now familiar Project Blue Book. Speculation as to the nature of UFOs was again rampant.

Meanwhile in Canada, under the urging of Wilbert B. Smith, an engineer in charge of the Broadcast and Measurement section of the Telecommunications Division of the Canadian Department of Transport, the Canadian government had given its approval to a UFO study to be carried out under Smith's leadership. The project was authorized in December 1950 by Commander C.P. Edwards, then Deputy Minister of Transport for Air Services. Informal assistance was to be obtained from the Defence Research Board and the National Research Council. Facilities provided were at Shirley's Bay, near Ottawa, and the study was named 'Project Magnet.'

After several years of detailed study Smith was "forced to the conclusion that the vehicles are probably extra-terrestrial, in spite of our prejudices to the contrary." He based his conclusion on a rigid statistical analysis of sighting reports which revealed "There is a 91% probability that at least some of the sightings were of real objects of unknown origin. There is about 60% probability that these objects were alien vehicles." The important point here is the high probability that something real and unexplainable was being reported. Smith's speculation that alien vehicles might be involved is only one of many possible explanations ventured over the years.

What effect this conclusion had on the government is not quite clear. What happened to Project Magnet, however, is. According to Smith, "...the program was plagued by well-meaning but misguided journalists who were looking for spectacular copy, or copy which could be turned to political account, to such an extent that both those who were working on the project and the Department of Transport found themselves in an embarrassing position. Consequently, when the Project Magnet Report was made and permission sought to extend the scope of the investigation through Federal financial support, the decision was finally made in 1954 that this would not be advisable in the face of the publicity which the whole project had suffered." Smith made it clear, however, that Magnet did continue, ostensibly without government funding, as a private research project.

Project Blue Book had also performed a thorough statistical analysis referred to as Project Blue Book Special Report #14 (BB#14), commissioned because a significant number of fairly complete reports by reliable observers remained unexplained. Investigated in this study were about 4000 UFO reports collected between July 1, 1947 and December 31, 1952. The analysis was carried out during the years 1952 - 1954, and the report was published in May 1955. However, copies were made available only to the military, and were marked "For official use only." BB#14 was the most scientific analysis of UFO reports ever undertaken, and was carried out with the assistance of a panel of scientific consultants from both inside and outside of ATIC. The well-known Condon study of over a decade later was a poor imitation of the thoroughness of the Air Force study. BB#14 not only evaluated the reports, it also rated the witnesses on experience, fact reporting ability and attitude.

Among the numerous charts and tables produced by BB#14 (there were 240 tables in the appendix), one in particular is revealing. Out of 1585 sightings which were classified as certain (meaning there was a minimum amount of doubt - about 5% - regarding the validity of the evaluation) 434 or 27% were classified as UNKNOWN. Two hundred and forty had insufficient information, while the remaining 911 or 60% were identified. Conversely, out of 614 sightings which were classified as doubtful (meaning that the chance was less positive, but there was a better than even chance of being correct), none were classified as unknown.

In spite of this positive indication that there definitely was an unidentified phenomenon being reported, the conclusions of BB#14 skirted this issue and stated, "A critical examination of the intensive study of the sightings evaluated as UNKNOWN led to the conclusion that a combination of factors, principally the reported manoeuvres of the objects and the availability of supplemental data such as aircraft flight plans or balloon-launching records, resulted in the failure to identify as KNOWN most of the reports of objects classified as UNKNOWN." This conclusion, which in effect claims insufficient information as the reason for the classification of unknowns overlooks the fact that their classification system included a division for 'insufficient information' in addition to those classed as UNKNOWN. Thus their conclusions contradict their findings. (A full analysis of BB#14 can be found in The Journal for UFO Studies, Vol. 1, No. 1, published by the Center for UFO Studies in Evanston, Illinois, in a paper written by Bruce Maccabee entitled "Scientific Investigation of Unidentified Flying Objects: Part 1" - pp.70-90.)

Throughout the 1950s both the U.S. and Canadian governments continued to insist that there was no evidence to indicate that UFOs presented a threat to national security. Whether true or not, this official position side-stepped the real issue which was impossible to deny, namely that UFOs existed, never mind what they were. The fact that the U.S. government was concerned about this strange phenomenon is indicated by the CIA's continuing involvement in UFO investigation since the early 50s, a fact which they consistently denied. This was revealed during recent suits brought against them under the U.S. Freedom of Information Act. Evidently they were quite concerned about ATIC's findings and the BB#14 analysis. But the CIA didn't want the public to be concerned. In a CIA communique headed "Flying Saucers" dated August 1, 1952 and declassified on April 20, 1977 one finds the following: "...so long as a series of reports remains 'unexplainable' (interplanetary aspects and alien origin not being thoroughly excluded from consideration) caution requires that intelligence continue coverage of the subject matter (flying saucers), in coordination with proper authorities of primary operational concern at ATIC, be continued. It is strongly urged, however, that *no indication of CIA interest or concern reach the press or public*, in view of their probable alarmist tendencies to accept such interests as 'confirmatory' of the soundness of 'unpublished facts' in the hands of the U.S. government" (italics mine).

It is still not known what UFOs are. After almost thirty years the studies continue. The problem hasn't gone away, and has, in fact, developed many new twists. In future columns I will take you behind the scenes, and bring you up to date on the current happenings in UFO research. (David Haisell is Director of U.P. Investigations Research Inc., Mississauga.)

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Following are summaries of sightings reports from Haisell's defunct JOURNAL U.F.O.

Levitation and healing. Mrs. A.V. was driving home along a country road one September evening in 1965 from Brussels when she suddenly had the sensation of losing control of the steering. Suspecting a flat tire, she started to decelerate when she felt the car being lifted a few centimeters off the road. At the same time, she saw what looked like a "small neon light" appear just in front of the windshield. It was solid, opaque, luminous and light yellow, about 4 cm. in diameter and 70 cm. long. After a few seconds it vanished; simultaneously, the car returned to the road.

Some time after that event, A.V. developed an intense interest in UFOs. Several years later she had a second encounter with the "neon light". She was worried about her daughter who had an ailment the doctors couldn't remedy. A.V. awoke one morning feeling there was someone in her bedroom and saw her daughter standing immobile beside the bed. In front of her was a neon tube similar to the previous one, except that it embraced the form of her stomach and digestive tract. A.V. wondered if she was dreaming or hallucinating because her daughter didn't act that way and wasn't even at home. After several seconds the vision vanished. A.V. interpreted it as a supernatural sign indicating the location of her daughter's illness. This diagnosis proved correct, and given correct treatment, the girl recovered quickly and completely. Subsequently, A.V. began devoting all her leisure time to parapsychology, a subject she had no interest in before.

Ball of light explores bedroom. Javier Bosque, 20, a student in Lorono, Spain, had just taped some music and was in bed listening to his transistor radio when his casement window opened and a ball of light entered. The radio began emitting beeps and Bosque, although frightened, turned on his recorder. The object hovered momentarily, then emitted a beam, first at the radio, then at the tape recorder. It then withdrew the beam, rose, halted, headed for the window, and vanished.



## ONEUPMANSHIP OVER THE UFO/ETI DISBELIEVERS.

Russ Reardon

Of course we believers now know how ETI'S feed themselves during their forty year trips around the Universe: they take along their invention, the Manna Machine. Or maybe they call it "The Ancient Of Days"? Least wise, that's what the Israelites called the device that fed them (and their 600 families) for 40 years whilst they wandered around the desert. This info, thanks to Rodney Dale and George Sasoon who wrote a couple of books explaining what this food-producing machine is (they actually built a working model, fig. 1), and when and where & by whom it was delivered on earth 3500 years ago.

The books were such a big hit (THE MANNA MACHINE & THE KABBALAH DECODED, Granada Publications, London, 1977) they are presently out of print. So the authors lecture around the world, display their model, everyone applauds them and, that's about it. Except-- they said they'd search for this catering device or parts of it in 4 or 5 different countries. But we haven't heard from them over the last 3 years, have we? No. Regardless myself, I'm 5 months late in reporting to you what I wrote Nov 26th '81 on the fly leaf of "The Manna Machine" after reading same,

"Manna machine: if that bugger fed 600 jewish families for 40 years during their desert Exodus, and if Sasoon and Dale built a scale model to prove it works, then get somebody (govt's) to build full scale models. Sell 'em or give them to countries with the worst starvation problem. Feed the starving millions of the world daily for 40 years and longer! Hell, media reports make me angry about batches of bureaucrats spending X amount of money investigating why rats tails vibrate when sexually aroused--".

So? What's in it for you? You (& I) continually debunked by the establishment as "UFO freaks" would increase in stature, integrity, and credibility by coming on with the definitive solution that forever solved the problem of world starvation--as engineered, delivered, and proved out "in the field" by none other than our poo-pooed

UFO occupants: extra-terrestrial intelligences!

It is possible to manufacture this machine which makes food to feed 1800 people (or 600 families of 3 each) seven days a week for 14,600 days--forty years!--while Dale & Rodney romp around the world over the next 40 years collecting accolades from ACADAME for their incredible brilliant break-thru of a 3500 year old mystery. Let's face it: researchers ain't also down-to-earth practical!

Here's how the thing works, "Basically, it functions by the intensive cultivation of small water plants. To do this, it needed a supply of energy, in the form of an intense light, and certain chemical elements. The four main elements - carbon, hydrogen, oxygen and nitrogen - are all to be found in the atmosphere. Of the others, only small quantities are required, which would have been supplied in the form of artificial fertiliser; less than a kilo a day would have been sufficient. The main energy would have been a laser producing intense light, powered directly from a small nuclear reactor." (George Sasoon, speaking before the 6th World Conference of the Ancient Astronaut Society, Hotel Sheraton, Munich, Germany, June 1979)..

But it's also tamper-proof, theft-proof! I can see it, sitting out in the middle of a desert for all the world like a snack machine in a bus lobby, freely dispensing food to anyone hungry. Again quoting Geo. Sasoon;

"If the description of the manna machine has been in writing since the 13th century, why was it not recognised as such before? Why did seven centuries have to pass before it became known for what it was? The true reason is that recognition of the Ancient Of Days as a product of technology simply was not possible until about twenty years ago. Until say 1960, nobody could even have dreamed that it might be possible to make such a machine, of only two cubic meters' size, which would feed 600 families from its own resources. Today we know that it IS possible, and in our books we discuss the technological aspects in detail. Until 1960, the ablest of scientists could only have dismissed the notion as a load of nonsense. It took the development of small, nuclear-pumped lasers by our own technology for us to see that such a machine was possible. Anybody who tampered with it suffered severe injuries from the radioactive

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materials within it. Such episodes are described in the Bible."

Well! Aside from solving the present starvation in the world, manna machines would keep abreast of the population explosions and, who knows, maybe the skeptics and scorners would swallow their contempt for we "UFO freaks"? We might want to dead-pan this squelch to them, "After all we've been telling you about ETI'S for years---but you wouldn't listen!"

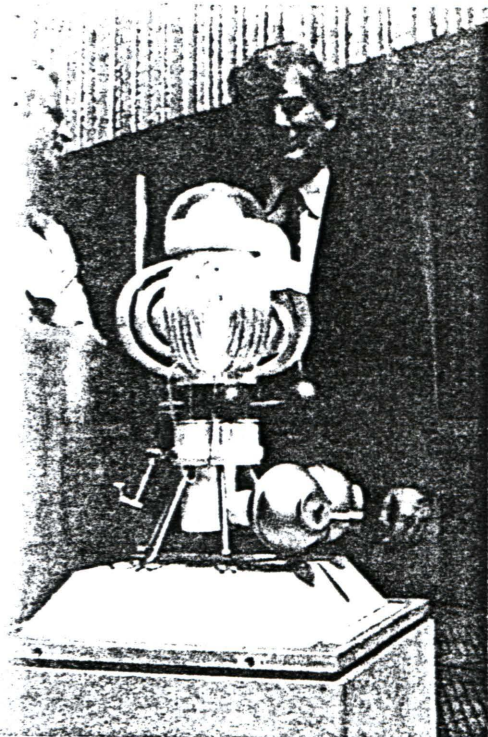
Let's yank Rodney and George off the lecture circuit and put them to work selling their machine to the guys with the moola and know-how to put it down where the rubber meets the road. Quit talking about it boys. Do it!

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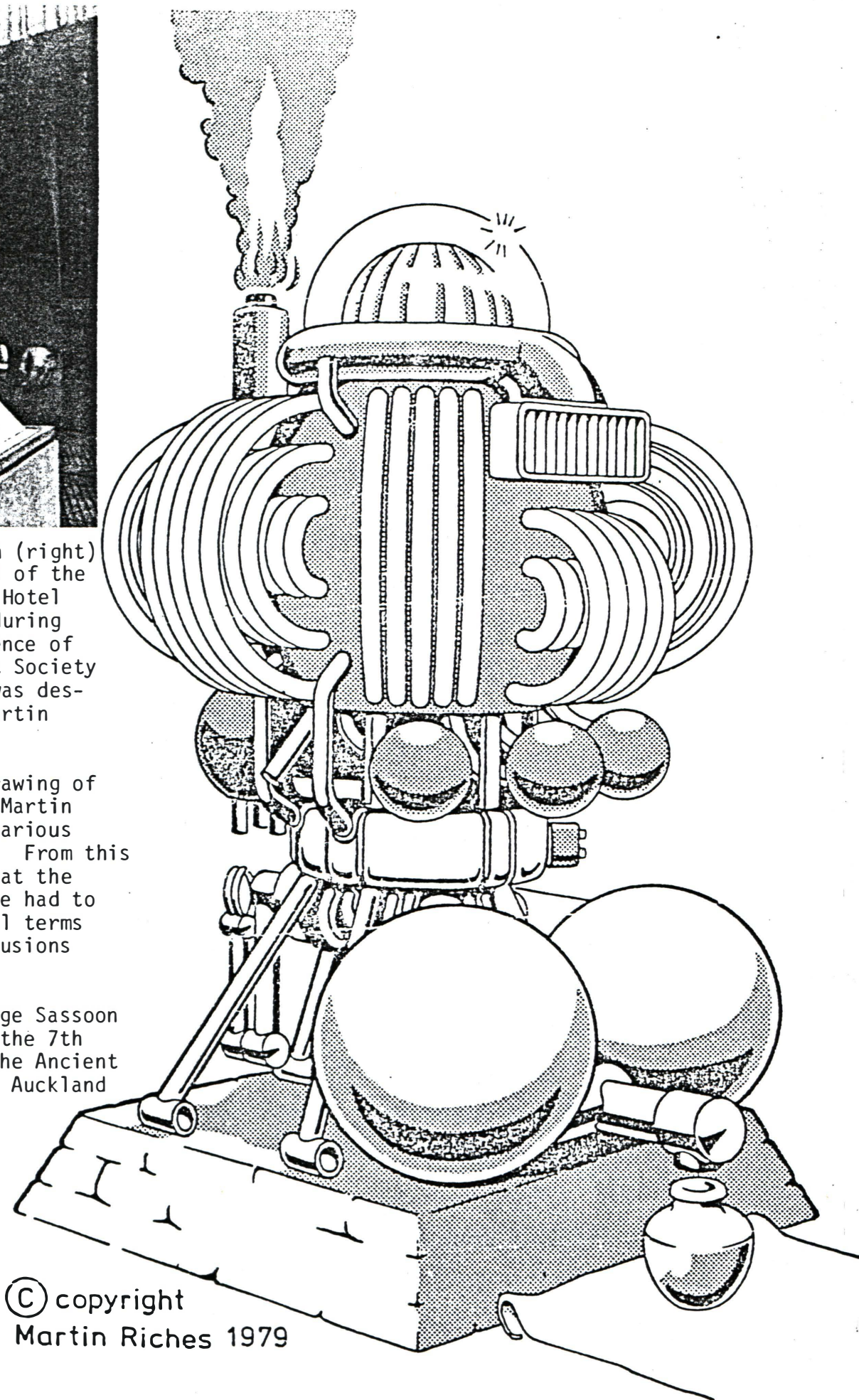




Above: George Sassoon (right) pictured with a model of the Manna Machine at the Hotel Sheraton in Munich, during the 6th World Conference of the Ancient Astronaut Society in June. The model was designed and built by Martin Riches.

Right: A detailed drawing of the Manna Machine by Martin Riches, showing the various parts of the machine. From this the reader can see that the ancients may well have had to use certain anatomical terms to describe the protrusions on the machine.

It is hoped that George Sassoon will be a speaker at the 7th World Conference of the Ancient Astronaut Society, in Auckland next July.



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1982 INTERNATIONAL MUFON UFO SYMPOSIUM IN TORONTO, ONTARIO  
by Walt Andrus

"UFOs--Canada: A Global Perspective" is the theme for the 1982 MUFON UFO Symposium to be held July 2, 3, and 4 at the Westbury Hotel, 457 Yonge St., Toronto, Ontario M4Y 1X7, Canada, hosted by the United Friends of Ontario. Sponsored by the Mutual UFO Network, Henry H. McKay, Canadian Regional Director, is chairman for the host organization. The 1982 UFO Summit Conference being held in conjunction with the MUFON UFO Symposium, is scheduled for Monday, July 5th from 9a.m. to 5p.m. at the Westbury Hotel.

Featured speakers and their speech titles are Dr. J. Allen Hynek, "Planning for the Next UFO Flap"; Dr. George and Iris Owen, "The UFO Phenomenon and Its Relationship to Parapsychological Research"; David Haisell, "UFO Research: An International Perspective"; Michael A. Persinger, Ph.D., "Predicting UFO Events and Experiences"; Arthur Bray, "Professionalism in Ufology"; and William L. Moore, tentative title "New Roswell Crash Disclosures". Stanton T. Friedman, previously scheduled to speak, has regretfully had to decline due to new business obligations.

John F. Schuessler, Deputy Director of MUFON, has been scheduled to speak on the exciting "Cash-Landrum Radiation Case," that has received nationwide exposure on the TV programs "That's Incredible" and "Good Morning America." The medical aspects of the Cash-Landrum case, as reported in the April 1981 and November 1981 editions of the MUFON UFO Journal, make it one of the most significant UFO cases on record. It has been featured in the Texas newspapers, the Dallas Times-Herald, the Houston Chronical, and the Corpus Christi Caller-Times. The North American weekly tabloids, the National Enquirer, and Weekly World News have reported the event, but not the details that Mr. Schuessler will share with those



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attending the symposium in his slide illustrated speech.

Specialized workshops on UFO related subjects have been scheduled between featured speakers throughout the symposium program, giving the participants an opportunity to attend the session that is of the most interest to the individual. Two video taped films will be shown -- "Strange Harvest" on cattle mutilations and "UFOs Are Real," a documentary on Saturday and Sunday. The Friday evening, July 2nd program will consist of registration, displays, a cocktail hour, and a get-acquainted session. Admission prices for each session have not been established, but will be announced in the near future. There will be a package discount for the entire symposium.

Sixty rooms have been reserved at the Westbury Hotel at special group rates of \$58.00 per room, per day, single occupancy and \$68.00 per room, per day, for double occupancy. Each participant must make their own reservations directly with the hotel. Special reservation cards have been printed by the hotel to be used to identify those attending the 1982 MUFON International UFO Symposium, so that you may obtain the group rate and are assigned to one of the sixty rooms blocked for this purpose. Reservation cards may be secured by writing to United Friends of Ontario, P.O. Box 54, Agincourt, Ontario M1S 3B4 Canada; MUFON, 103 Oldtowne Road, Seguin, Texas 78155 U.S.A., or directly to the hotel. We encourage everyone to make your reservations promptly so that you may stay at the Westbury Hotel. Arrangements have been made with a nearby hotel for the overflow, after the Westbury is booked.

The Annual MUFON Corporate Meeting is planned for Sunday, July 4th from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. All MUFON members with I.D. cards are invited to attend. The 1982 MUFON UFO Symposium Proceedings, will not only include



the presented papers by each of the featured speakers, but will contain a published paper titled "A UFO Propulsion Model" by F.E. Alzofon, Ph.D. The proceedings will be available at the symposium on July 2, 3, 4 and 5 for \$10.00, and by mail thereafter from MUFON for \$10.00 plus \$1.50 postage and handling.

Start planning your vacation now to attend this exciting and inspirational annual international UFO symposium.

PLEASE NOTE

A regular scheduled meeting of the UFOHCO group is to be held at 10 North Sherbourne St., April 14, Wed. at 8pm sharp. On completion of the above we should have further discussion on the MUFON Symposium and the Summit Conference. Can we each get the assistance (non-paid) of 5 volunteers who are willing to take an active part in this event? Bring a pen and note-paper, ideas and proposals and in start seeking worthy people willing to help. Give me a call (491 5387) prior to the meeting if you have any questions or suggestions or I may call you!

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1982 UFO Summit Conference  
by Walt Andrus

Worldwide interest in attending the 1982 UFO Summit Conference being held Monday, July 5th from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Westbury Hotel in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, in conjunction with the 1982 International MUFON UFO Symposium, has been overwhelming. Many regionalized UFO study groups and organizations in the United States and Canada have already expressed interest in sending representatives to the conference by responding to the invitation extended in the December 1981 issue of the MUFON UFO Journal. The major UFO organizations on the North American continent have already selected individuals from their Board of Directors to represent them. In most cases, their Director will be the principle representative, which will help to expedite planning and decisions. Several European UFO organizations have asked permission to present short papers, that could lead to greater international cooperation. It is gratifying to know that so many people are anxious to participate in a dialogue that will lead to greater cooperation in Ufology and volunteering their individual and group talents to help resolve the enigma. The fine response to date is evidence that an apathetic attitude does not prevail in the current leadership of UFO agencies.

In order that each representative group may present short papers on their proposals, the entire morning 9:00 A.M. to 12 noon will be scheduled for this purpose. Each paper should be limited to fifteen (15) minutes maximum. The afternoon session 1:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. will be devoted to (1) discussion of the proposals, (2) determination of goals and objectives (3) assignments of projects to fulfill these goals and (4) method and time table for reporting progress results to participating organizations.



To make this agenda effective and managable, each delegate or representative planning to present a brief paper or attend the conference should advise Walt Andrus in writing by June 1, 1982, so adequate facilities and time will be available. We also plan to publish an agenda, prior to the conference, that will be mailed to each delegate who has signified his or her intention to attend. It is anticipated that most of the papers will be less than fifteen minutes, providing time for a greater number of prepared statements on the agenda. In the correspondence to Walt Andrus briefly indicate the topic of your proposal or ideas, since this will be included on the published agenda.

It thus becomes imperative for an expeditious meeting that only those delegates who indicate in writing that they plan to speak will be placed on the agenda. Anyone who has already signified their intent to speak or attend has complied with this procedure and each has received a confirmation by postcard or letter. Roberts Rules of Order for parliamentary law will prevail at the conference, so as to control possible disruptive individuals and to accentuate major emphasis on our goals and objectives.

Based upon early indications, this could be the most significant UFO Conference ever conducted in North America. It will achieve this status, provided that each delegate and participant is willing to forget past personality and group ideology differences, and come prepared to devote their talent in a positive manner to fresh approaches that will breed cooperation in Ufology. The success of this important conference hinges upon these conditions and how our reservoir of talent may be harnessed for constructive progress.



I have attached the following UFO case, which was in the March, 1982 issue of TROFUS, Stratford, Ontario, editor Pat Delafranier.

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Dear Bonnie lass,

Turn over these ideas for cartoons to your in-house cartoonist:

1. Three MIB's asking salesperson in a Men's clothing store: "Got anything more spenal in our sizes?"
2. MIB's in their black limo on a used car lot: "We'd like to turn this in on something more sporty".
3. MIB'S in their underwear (black) with their black suits over their arms at a counter in a dry cleaning est., "We want these back today!" They're all we have."
4. Two MIB's wearing a white arm-band noticed by a passerby to whom one of the MIB'S explains, "We're mourning the loss of a loved one."
5. MIB's plaing golf, the balls are black.
  - (a) Each partially clothed in a locker room: all are ebony Negro. One smoking a black cigarette with white filter-tip.
6. Three women in black exclaiming, "the MIB's are all for Equal Rights, aren't they?"
7. Flying saucer grounded in background; foreground three spindly saucermen addressing MIB in their famous black limo saying, "We've come for your "white paper" on the current status. (MIB's hauling out reams of white paper from their trunk.)

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## WILDWOOD GRAVEL PIT CASE

DATE: May 24th weekend 1977 (Monday)  
TIME: 2 p.m. (1400 hours)  
DURATION: 1 hour 22 minutes (approximately)  
LOCATION: Consession 3 near Wildwood Lake  
WITNESS: One man (Dan) fictitious name

INVESTIGATORS: Pat De la franier, Darren McKone and Liz McKone

WEATHER CONDITIONS: Semi-cloudy day with no wind. The approximate temperature was 65 to 70 degrees F.

DESCRIPTION OF OBJECT: One arrowhead-shaped object, the color of greenish stainless steel. The witness described it as wedge shaped with another shape inside. The outside shell was just one solid shiny barrier and Dan couldn't see the inner shape until he got above it and could look down. From the side of the object the only thing that showed was a 'bulb' on the bottom and a little bulb above the side of the object, both were solid. At the back it was black and burnt looking.

The object had three skies on its bottom - two small ones at the back and one massive hydraulic cylinder at the front (see illustration # 1). The witness estimated it at 50 feet in length. The height of the front cylinder was about six feet and the front one was about three times the size of the two back ones.

SIGHTING REPORT: Dan had just finished dinner at his father-in-law's place and went for a walk along a woodland trail that runs behind the house. The area is tree-lined and bush filled and contains three gravel pits. It is fairly isolated and completely hidden from view. Dan was walking by the opening of the first small gravel pit when he felt a sensation of heat on the side of his face. He described what happened next.

"I turned and looked into the gravel pit and there, sitting at a 45 degree angle, was an arrowhead-shaped object. I thought it was an airplane at first and walked into the pit to get a closer look. It was very warm in the pit and I noticed there were a couple sticks and little plants on fire about fifteen to twenty feet from it. I also noticed that the rocks underneath the object (little gravel stones an inch or so in diameter) were actually splitting and 'popping like popcorn' from the heat."

Dan could not see into the center of the object because of the up-turned sides so he climbed up the side of the pit and looked down. He saw it was wedge shaped with another shape inside and the color of greenish stainless steel. Since Dan had just seen an advertisement for an upcoming air show in London, he still thought the object was some kind of aircraft. He came back down the side of the pit and found the object gone, even though he had only taken his eyes off it for a moment during his descent. It's disappearance was completely silent as he heard no noise of an engine.

Dan walked into the pit again and found the area where the object had rested too hot to stand on. He also noted that this area was an obvious brown ash color and oval shaped where the rear of the object had been. It had been supported by three skies, two at the back and one massive cylinder at the front.

Dan continued on his walk deeply puzzled, but not frightened. He

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still believed what he had seen was a plane of some kind, but he couldn't understand why or how it had landed in the small gravel pit. There is approximately 1/2 mile between the small first gravel pit and a slightly larger second pit and as he walked, he thought he saw a 'glint' from the direction of this second pit. Dan hurried to it, but this time did not enter the mouth of the pit. Instead, he went up to the side to look in.

"I looked down and sitting at exactly the same angle was the object that had been in the first pit. There was a hydraulic hum and as it hummed it came down to a 10 degree angle where the nose was six to seven feet off the ground and the tail was about three feet off the ground. The whole thing was about fifty feet long and twenty-five feet wide; and as it lowered, the dish at the back unfolded from the cup shape out to side wings. Now it really looked like an airplane!" Dan continued, "I watched it for a few minutes and then, without any noise at all, it rose off the ground and left. There was absolutely no sound - almost like it had taken the sound with it and left only a vacuum."

There is another larger gravel pit approximately 1/2 mile from the second pit, and the object flew almost 'through' the trees in that direction. In fact, it flew below the treetops and anything it passed or disturbed (such as a leaf which should normally float to the ground) fell like a brick.

When the object lifted off the ground, Dan (who was about thirty feet from it) had a feeling that he suddenly tripled his body weight. He knew where it was going because he was familiar with the chain of gravel pits in the area, so he made his way (this time a little slower because now he wasn't too sure what it was!) to the third pit.

"I reached the third pit," Dan said, "and the object was sitting at the ten-degree angle again on the three skies. I watched it for a few minutes and kept thinking 'Is it an airplane?'. I finally went down into the pit and walked up to the nose of the thing. I rapped on it - actually I banged on it. It was very smooth and sounded very solid - no 'boing' to it at all. It was like hitting a concrete wall - there was that much density to the area. There was no give at all."

Dan walked around the telescopic-type hydraulic cylinder which was about six feet high and three times the size of the cylinders at the back. He noticed a row of what looked like speakers which were 9 inches across and 5 inches deep. Each had a hole in it, but Dan wasn't prepared to stick his finger in the hole to see what happens, so he just banged a couple more times on the bottom of the object. Dan described what happened immediately after.

"I kept thinking about the air show; otherwise, I would have never gone down and banged on it. I was right under the object, crouched down behind the front cylinder because I wanted to see what it was. I reached up and banged on it and within five seconds I heard a 'clunk' from behind me. I turned around to see a three-foot-wide ramp had dropped and the noise I heard was it hitting the ground. Then this little 'guy' came out. I took one look at him and knew he wasn't human (see illustration #5). He was 4½ to 5 feet tall and looked like the belly of a garter snake - scaley, greenish-yellow skin. He didn't have a normal mouth, but something like a snorkel. He didn't seem to have any knees. He walked straight-legged down the ramp, shifting his hips forward with each step. He was wearing



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a tannish suit that didn't have any seams or zippers visible, and his boots sounded very heavy like they were weighted, and were a shiney silver in color."

At no time did Dan see behind the occupant into the interior. Eye to eye contact lasted no more than five seconds. What occurred then was sudden and emotional.

"I've never had such a shock in all my life! He was in full view and walking towards me when I shouted 'MY GOD!', jumped up, hitting my head on the bottom of the object, and ran just as fast as I could! I hid in the bushes by the side of the pit and watched the thing take off. It flew low over the fields by the gravel pit. It would rise up out of sight, then it would fall back down again - straight up, straight down like a yo-yo, and all this time there was absolutely no sound.

Dan has no idea how long he watched the object fly back and forth across the fields, but he remembers he arrived back at his father-in-law's house late for supper. He also has no memory of his walk home. The last conscious memory he has is of watching the object move back and forth over the field, and the next conscious memory is of walking through the door at his father-in-law's house. Dan does not remember seeing it disappear. When asked what happened to the object he replied, "I suspect the thing went from pit three to pit four, which is a much larger pit located further along the trail.

Dan did see the object again that day, and that report follows as a separate sighting.

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#### EVENING SIGHTING

DATE: May 24th weekend 1977 (Monday)  
TIME: 7:15 p.m. (19:15 hours)  
DURATION: 5 minutes  
LOCATION: Near Fairview  
WITNESSES: Dan and his wife's grandmother

INVESTIGATORS: Pat De la franier, Darren McKone and Liz McKone

WEATHER CONDITIONS: Semi-cloud. Temperature approximately 65 to 70 deg. F. No wind.

DESCRIPTION: Same as Wildwood Gravel Pit case, but seen only from the bottom this time (see illustration #6)

SIGHTING REPORT: After supper Dan had to take his wife's grandmother home and left his father-in-law's house at 7:00 p.m. He was driving down Consession #3 then turned onto the road heading for Fairview. After travelling a short distance (about 300 yards) Dan noticed the object in the sky again. It was 30 feet in the air and 50 to 60 feet off the road.

The conversation at that moment inside the car went something like the following:

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Grandmother: Do you see what I see?  
 Dan: What?  
 Grandmother: Up there in the tree.  
 Dan: (looking up) Yes, that's a flying saucer  
 Grandmother: But they can't be real!  
 Dan: Well, is that real?  
 Grandmother: Yes  
 Dan: Then we are looking at a flying saucer.

By this time the car had coasted to a stop because Dan had put his foot on the clutch as the view of the craft went past the windshield, and they had to look out the side window to see it. Dan explains what happened next.

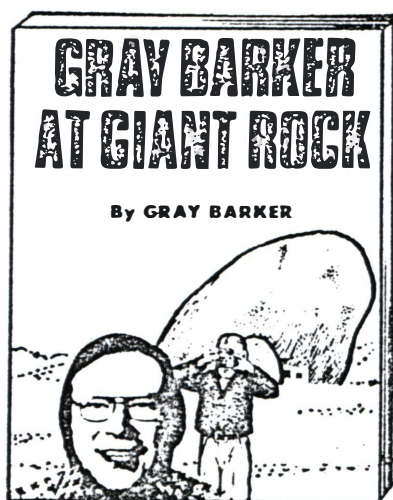
"We were close enough to throw a stone at it. It was actually half in the tree (about 11 o'clock position if a clock face was superimposed on the tree). I got out of the car and walked another 15 feet. It was about 40 degrees off the horizon and about 100 feet from me to it. I saw this little bulbous head fellow looking out the trap door at me. I didn't see it go. I had the feeling that my grandmother wasn't suppose to be with me. I thought of this, turned and looked at her in the car, and when I turned back the thing was gone. I just got back in the car and we drove home."

The grandmother freely told everyone about the sighting, but Dan felt uneasy about this and kept quiet. He would confirm the details if asked but would volunteer no information on his own. The grandmother died in July 1981.

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PART II: The Investigation will be in the June issue of TROFUS.

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**GRAY BARKER AT  
GIANT ROCK** By Gray Barker

In the fall of 1970, Jim Moseley, Barbara Hudson and Gray Barker flew to Los Angeles and attended George Van Tassel's Flying Saucer Convention at Giant Rock. Barker gives you a run down on famous "contactees" he met such as Van Tassel, Trevor James, Orfeo Angelucci, etc.

He describes them and their stories of meeting people from outer space. You almost feel you are right there with Barker under the hot sun on the desert. Ten UFO personalities are interviewed and their favorite sighting is described with a dramatic full page treatment by the noted UFO artist, Hal Crawford.

Also lavishly illustrated with photographs and other artwork throughout. A six-page section is devoted to strange writing, objects and faces that turn up in NASA photos of the moon and Mars, including an incredible map of the U.S. on the face of the moon. This book is Barker at his best! He has preserved the atmosphere of this and past conventions he has attended there so that UFO fans of the future can vicariously experience these fabulous meetings as if they were there themselves.

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**PASSPORT TO MAGONIA**  
By Jacques Vallee

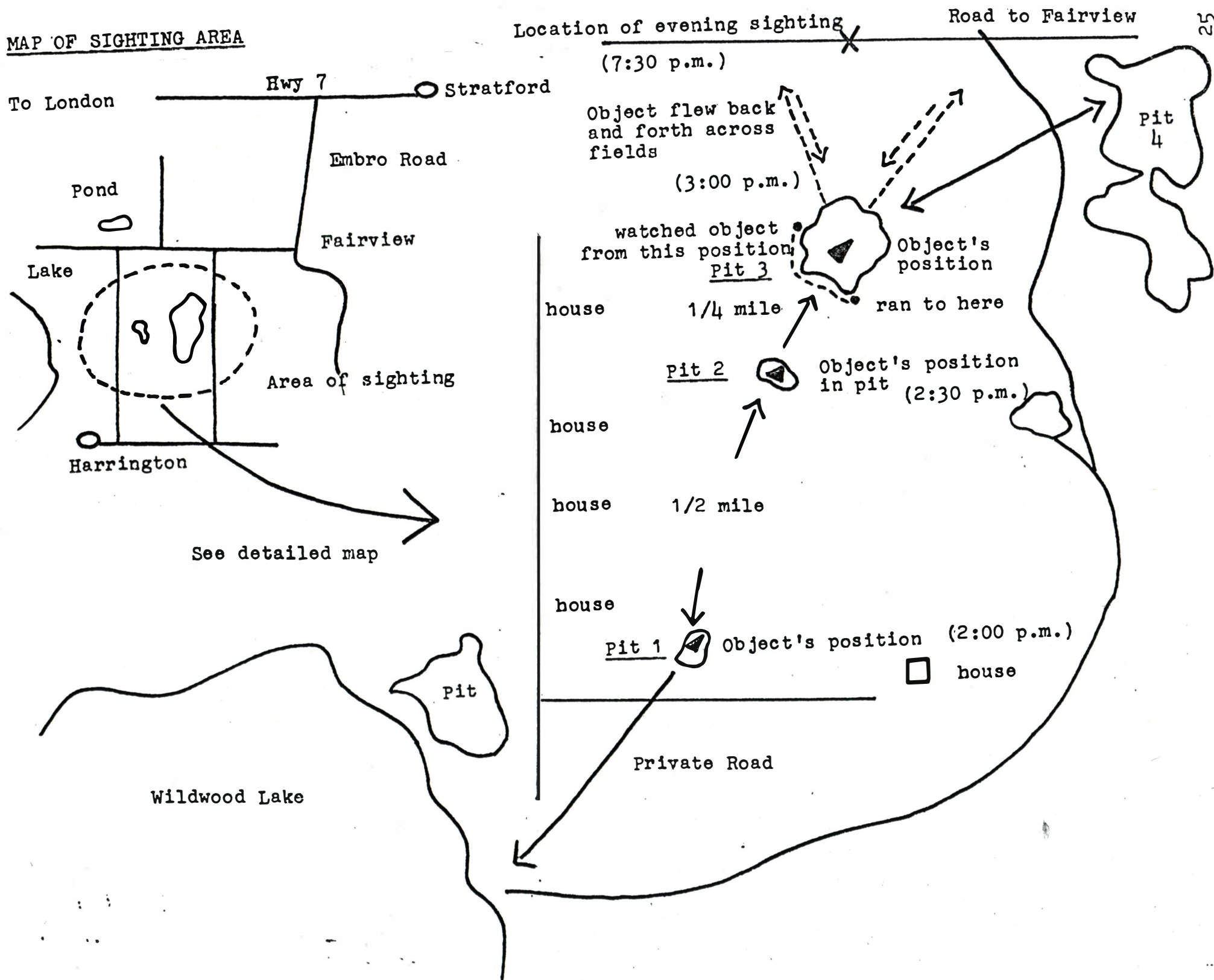
In this book, the author argues that the recent appearances of UFOs, their landings and the many first-hand accounts of the characteristics and behaviour of their occupants, can be likened to the myths and legends from all ages and from all over the world which feature supernatural beings — angels, devils, elves or giants, according to local folklore or belief.

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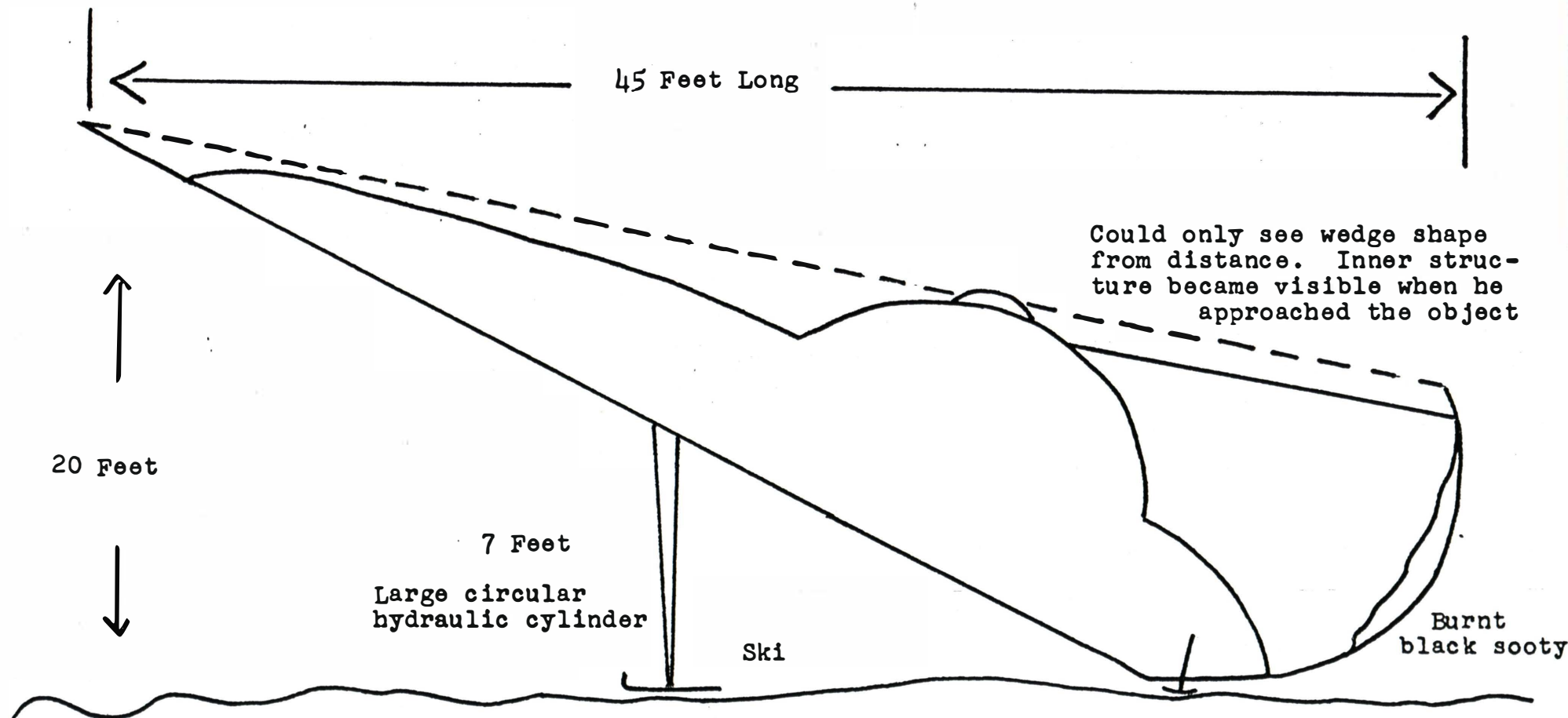
MAP OF SIGHTING AREA



On ground for about five minutes

Time of sighting: 2:00 p.m.

Disappeared in pit 1 - didn't see it leave



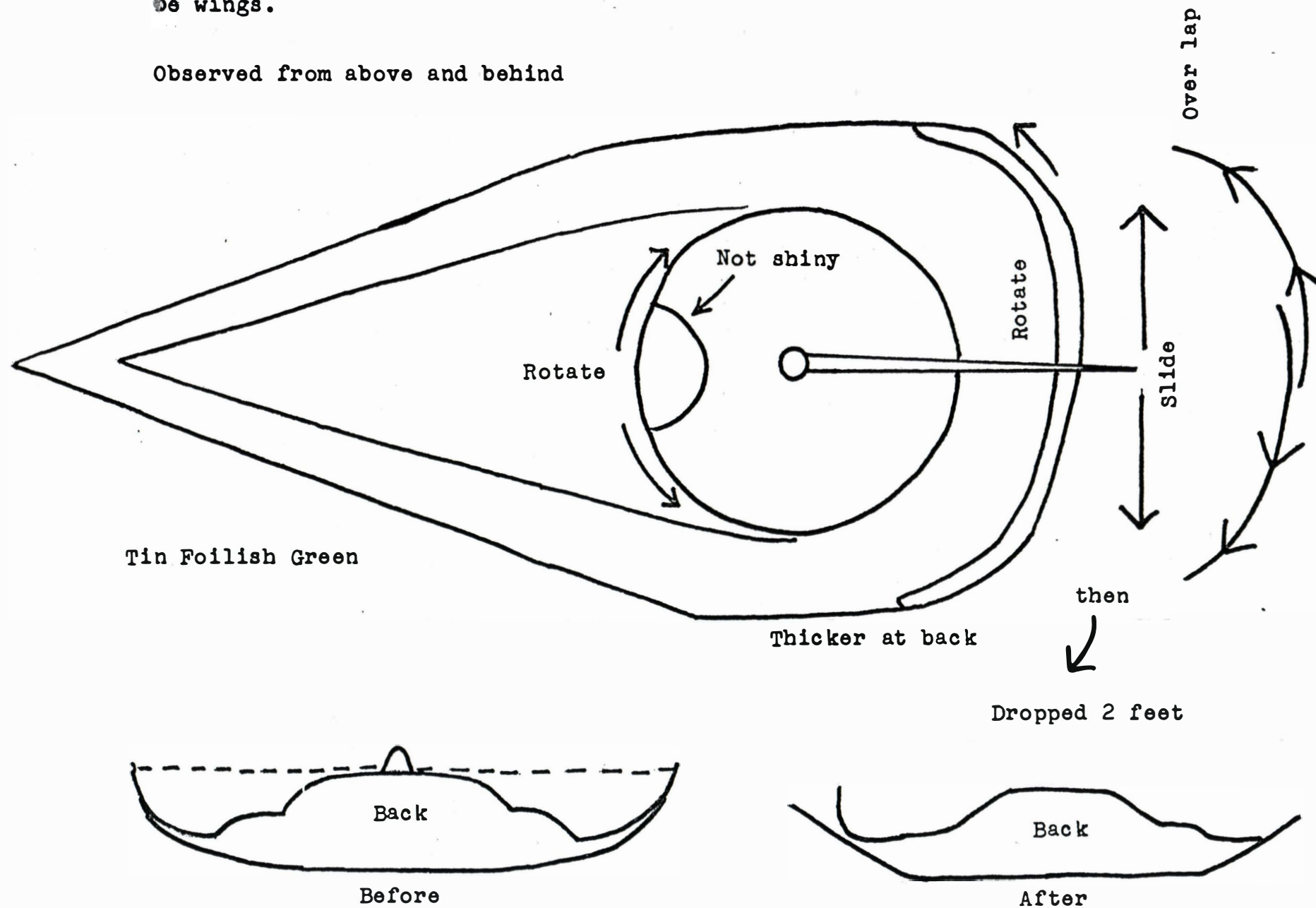
Angle of object in pit 1 & 2  
In pit 2 witness watched the rear of object become wings

As the rear became wings, the witness reported that the angle of rest changed from 35 degrees to almost parallel.

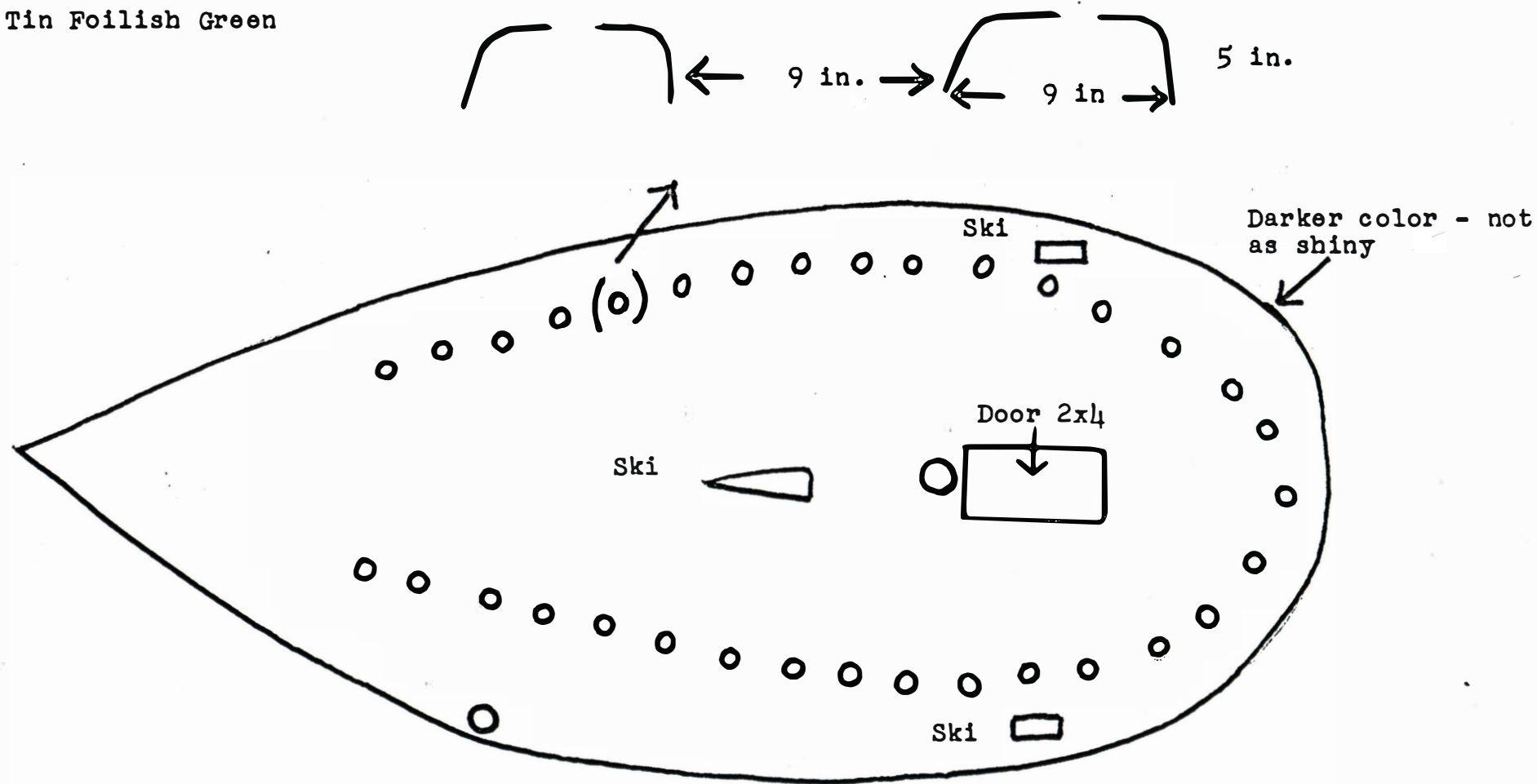


The heavy back could slide away like closing a fan then sides came down to be wings.

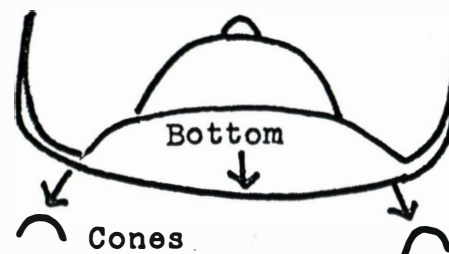
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Tin Foilish Green



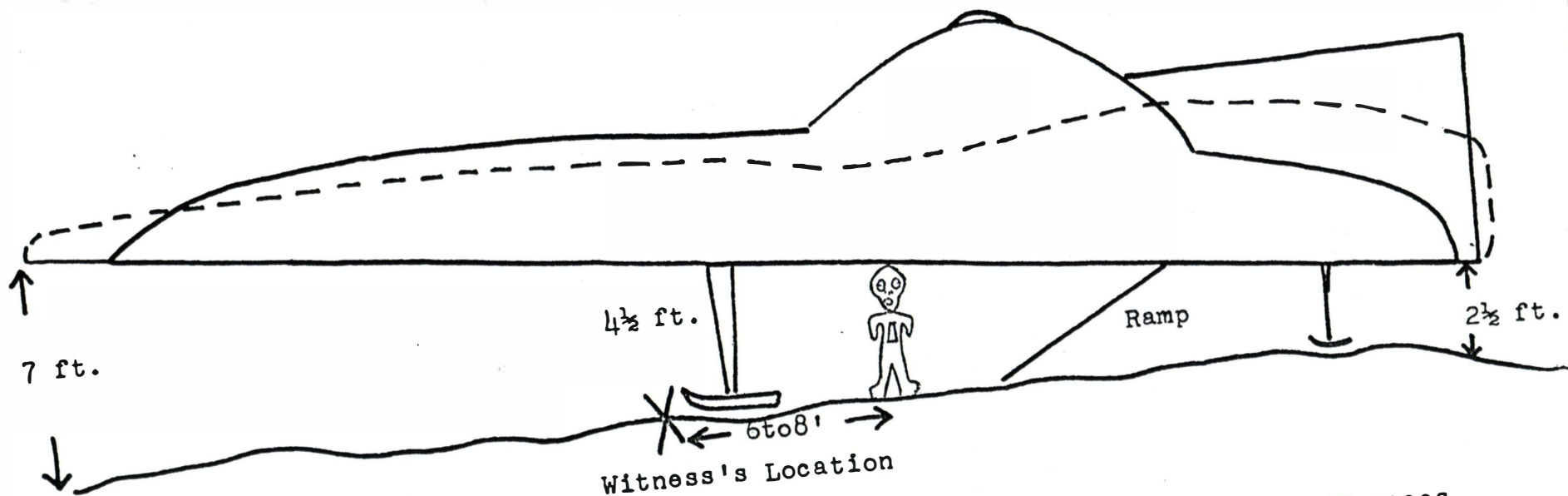
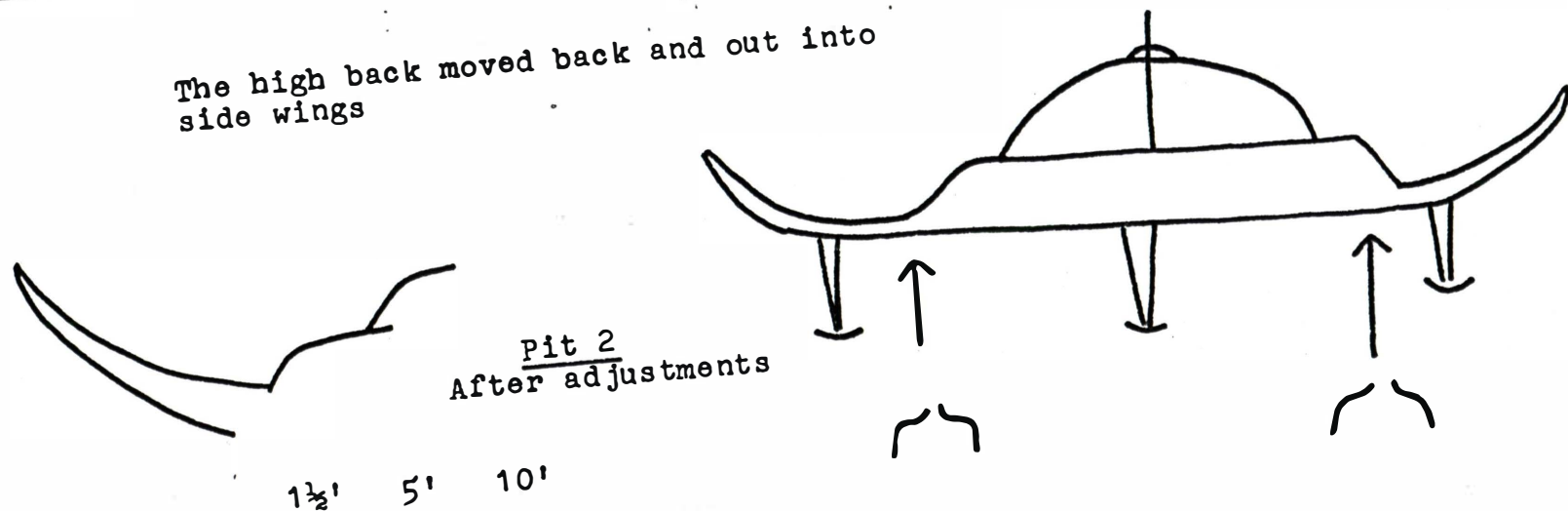
On Edge of Curve





# OBJECT IN PIT 3

The high back moved back and out into side wings

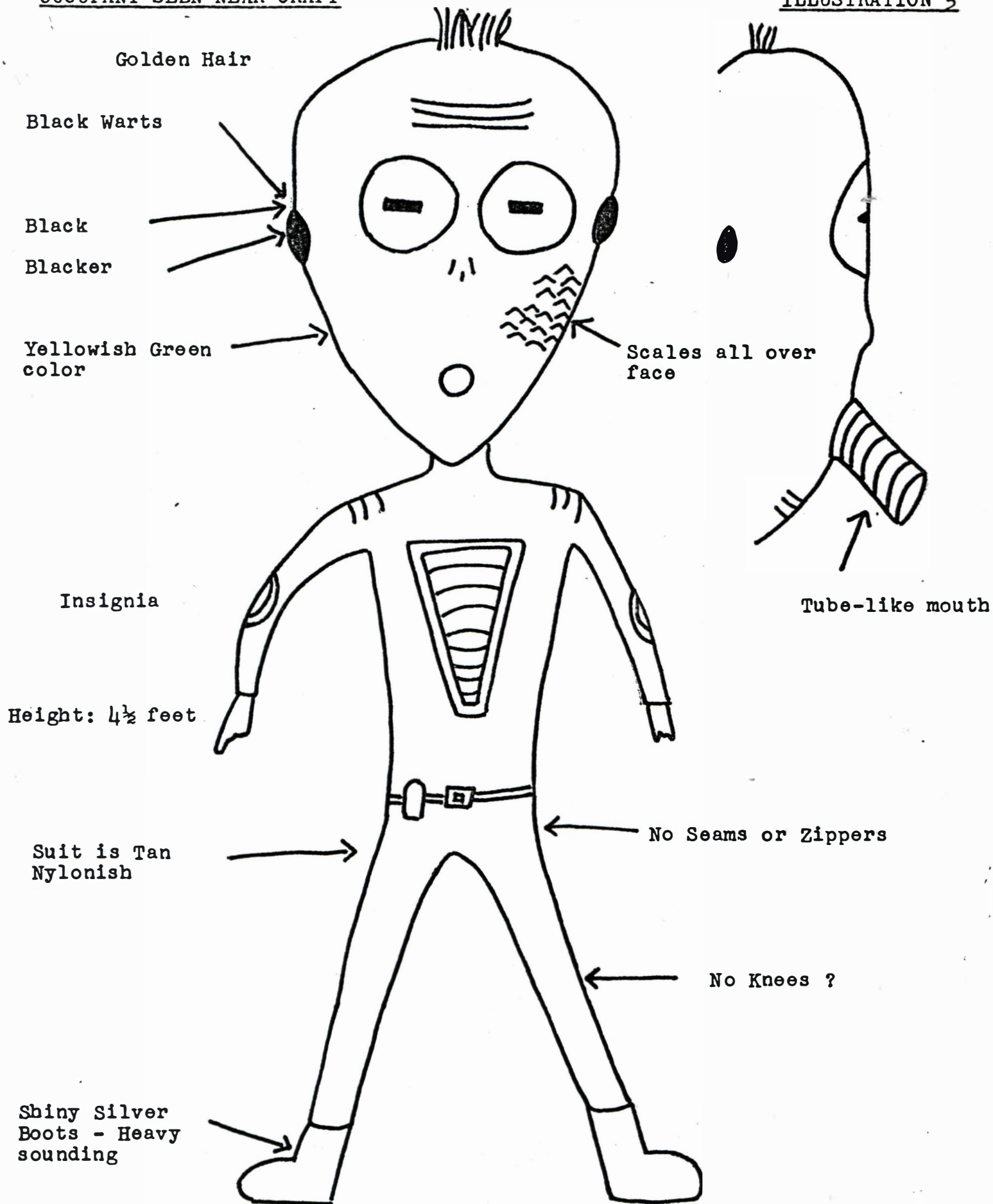


At Pit 3 Dan paced off object's length and width

45 to 50 feet - 16 to 17 paces



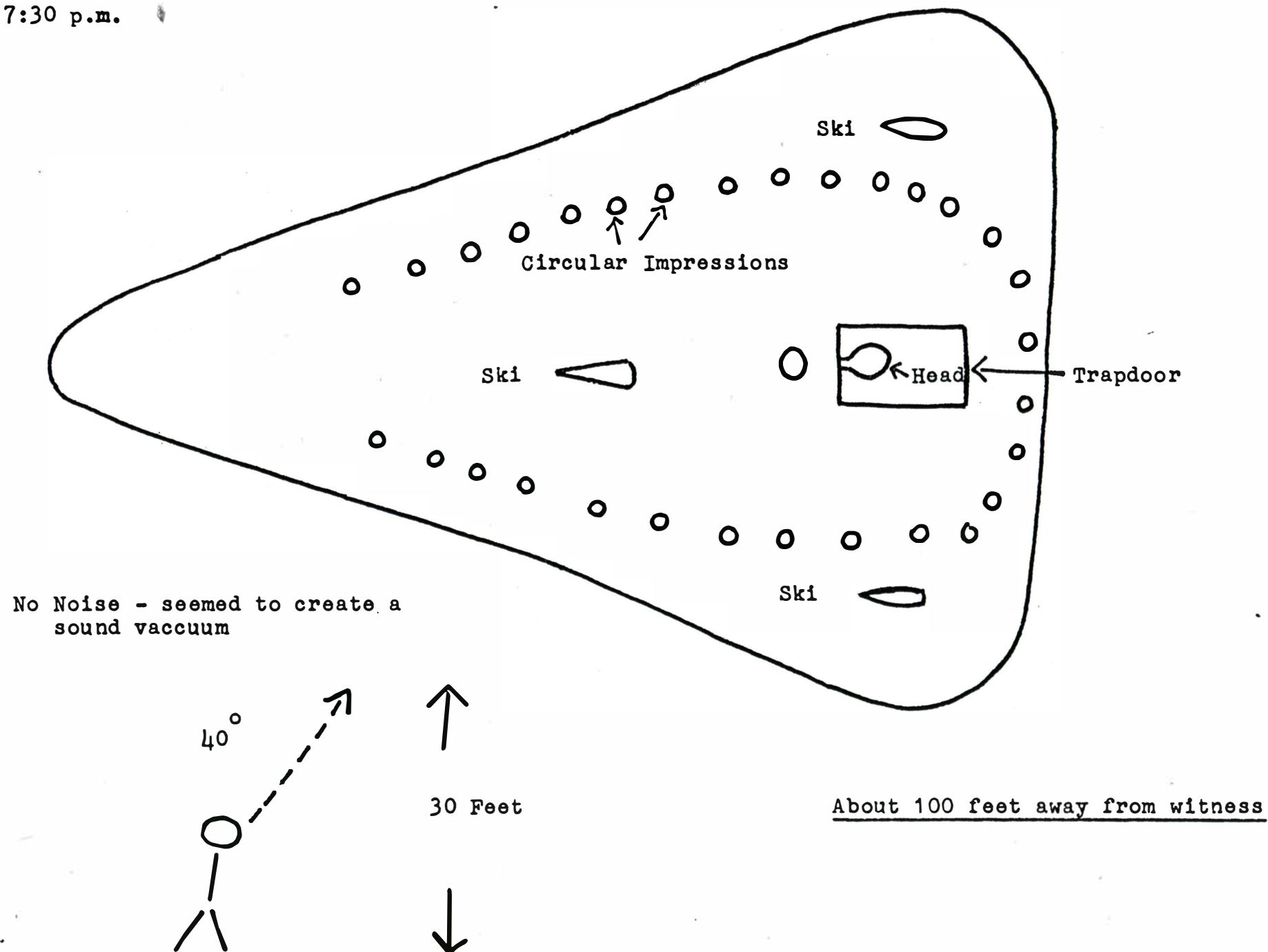
22 to 25 feet  
9 paces





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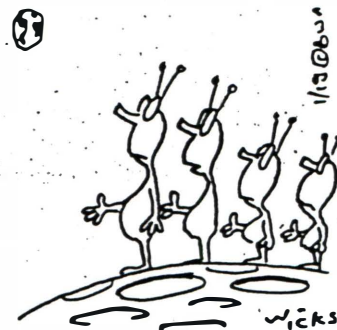


In Issue No. 6, June, 1981, of this newsletter, I inserted an article by Kal Korff, re the Edward Meier, Switzerland expose. I then, in turn, inserted an article which ran in Mufon on Wendelle Steven's rebuttal of Kal Korff's article. Further to this, Kal has written me a letter enclosing his response to Wendelle Stevens. Kal Korff and Bill Moore compiled a lengthy response to Wendelle and sent it to Mufon. Kal has sent me a complimentary advance copy, which is attached.

## HERMAN



"I'm not going to tell you again, buddy: get out of those flowers."



"When do you think the Americans will get here, dear?"



Reply to Wendelle for MUFON -- ADVANCED copy -- Kal

"CONTACTS FROM THE PLEIADES" IN FACT AND FICTION

A Catagorical Response to Wendelle Stevens

DUPLICATE

By

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One of the marks which distinguishes an expert yarn-spinner from an ordinary storyteller is his expertise in manufacturing, exaggerating or distorting details at random and upon the spur of the moment in order that he may continue to sound convincing and credible to his listeners. Given such criteria, "Kal Korff and the 'Meier Hoax': A Response" by Wendelle C. Stevens (MUFON Journal, Nos. 164-165) should be eligible for some sort of prize. Either Wendelle Stevens regards his shameless efforts to foist the Meier case upon both legitimate UFOlogy and unsuspecting UFO "buffs" alike as some sort of tremendously funny personal joke (in which case let's all laugh and forget about it), or he honestly thinks that those who bother to double check his "facts" and find them wanting will conceal their results solely to protect his (already precarious) reputation. In either case, it is our opinion that this disgraceful charade has gone on long enough. We tire.

Stevens' "Response" to the points raised in Korff's exposé of the Meier case are neither convincing nor terribly new. Worse, his ad hominem attack on Korff's alleged immaturity hardly befits a gentleman and is at the very least irrelevant to the matter at hand. While Korff's anti-Meier book (The Meier Incident: Most Infamous Hoax in UFOlogy: Town Scribe Press, 1981) may have put him on the map per-se, his interest in UFO reports did not begin when he decided to look into the Swiss contactee case in earnest back in early 1980. Indeed, Wendelle Stevens has known of Korff for over five years- their first exchange of letters having begun on September 14, 1976. (A copy of this letter is enclosed for MUFON's files.)

As to why UFOlogy has more or less looked to Korff for information on the Meier case, the reason is actually quite simple. It is obvious from his writings that he has thoroughly researched and investigated both the incident itself and those connected with it. His book is an authoratative compilation of the results and conclusions of that investigation. And ironically, there are more hard facts set forth

therein than there are in the entire Genesis III Pleiades volume.

The statement that appears in Korff's book to the effect that Meier has recorded over 3,000 pages of "quotes" from the "Pleiadeans" is most certainly true in spite of Stevens' protestations to the contrary. Meier's contactee ramblings consist of a total of eleven volumes, five of which Korff viewed himself in the presence of Dr. Marcel Vogel. Much of this material was allegedly "channeled" through Meier by the Pleiadeans via the so-called "automatic writing" technique.

If Wendelle had read Kal's article carefully, he would have noticed that Korff said, "He has also been given rock and metal samples which, according to his story, defy conventional explanation". As anyone even remotely familiar with the English language can tell, the two pronouns used, "he" and "his", refer to Meier and not Stevens. Even more ridiculous however is Steven's boldfaced contention that the phrase "defy conventional explanation" can be interpreted in a manner substantially different from the words used in his own phrase "not immediately explainable... in reference to our present technology". Just what, pray, is the difference here, Wendelle?

But let us continue. Having now succeeded in manufacturing dirt from earth, Stevens goes on to claim that neither he nor his Genesis III associates "declare, anywhere in the book, that all, or even any of Meier's claims are genuine". Truth? Wrong again. Unless of course Stevens expects us to believe that the statement "This book is not a work of fiction" which begins the flapcopy, somehow got there by accident. And what about Stevens' own statement which appears in the text of the book itself: "...we are impelled to a conclusion that the experience actually happened, that the disc-shaped craft photographed is really a UFO and that the case is legitimate"? Slip of the tongue, Wendelle? Or did you somehow manage to misquote even yourself?

Korff made no misquotations as to Meier's first claims of contacts. All Kal pointed out was that according to Stevens' book, Meier's first experiences with extraterrestrials began on January 28, 1975. Unfortunately for Wendelle, this is not the case. According to articles written by Stevens himself and published in the now defunct Argosy UFO magazine, Meier's first sighting of a UFO occurred on June 2, 1942



when only five years old! But even granting that Genesis III's "It all began..." statement is merely a poor choice of words, Stevens' claim that he and his associates were unable to include details about Billy Meier's earlier contactee experiences because of space limitations in the book is pure and unadulterated hogwash! In fact, even the most casual and impartial observer is able to see at once that their book is literally brimming over with unused space. Even by conservative measurement (and not taking into account the unnecessarily large type used), there is in the neighborhood of 950 square inches (more than 6 1/2 square feet) of totally unused, absolutely blank space in the Pleiades book! (Not enough space, Wendelle? Did you think we wouldn't look??)

After reading Wendelle's statement that he is not "a one-fourth partner in Genesis III", we began to fear that Stevens is either a pathological liar or is suffering from delusions. Apparently he has forgotten that he told Korff in writing that he was indeed a "one fourth partner in Genesis III". (A copy of the letter in question is enclosed for MUFON's files so that there can be no question in this matter.)

Stevens' statement that Meier sought no publicity from anyone concerning any of his experiences is also demonstrably false. Meier first began publishing and offering for sale all over Europe numerous little pamphlets about his "encounters" in September of 1976- long before Stevens was even aware of his (Meier's) existence. Not only do we know this to be a fact, but two samples (of the well over a dozen that we possess) of Meier's literature appear on page 27 of Korff's book! Wendelle has at least three copies of Kal's monograph, but still insists upon publishing such statements. (Enclosed for MUFON files are copies of some of Meier's privately published pamphlets- including the issue where he claims to be the 14th disciple of Jesus Christ.)

According to an associate of ours, Mr. Franco Kleppe, who also resides in Switzerland, there exists no evidence (in the form of official police records) of any assassination attempts on either Meier's life or that of Wendelle Stevens. It should be pointed out that Herr Kleppe is extremely familiar with Meier's claims, having

been a devout believer in them, and spent several months as a part of the Swiss contactee's "commune" of followers. Kleppe has even met the "Pleiadean cosmonaut" Senjase, and has assured us that she is "quite human"- especially when plying her trade in one of Switzerland's better known back alleys.

Stevens did indeed describe Meier as "a sort of person who gets great satisfaction out of fooling authorities", despite his claims to the contrary. Wendelle not only told Jim Lorenzen this over breakfast one morning in Tucson, where among other things he talked about Meier's criminal record, but he also told Korff, Al Reed and Paul Cerny the same thing on August 23rd, 1980 in Oakland, California. Wendelle's account of this affair, as set forth in his "Response", is totally at odds with that provided by Jim Lorenzen who first told it to Moore a few days after the event and more recently recalled precisely the same details in a December, 1981 interview.

Yet another telling point is Stevens' ludicrous claim that De Anza Systems is not mentioned in his book. ("We did not say, nor does the book imply, that De Anza Systems 'did some of the analysis.'") Please note that in the "Acknowledgement" section of the original version of Pleiades, the following clearly appears:

"...our thanks go to De Anza Systems, Inc., manufacturers of the remarkable state-of-the-art computer graphics systems utilized to better illustrate some of the test procedures...."

(Curiously this particular passage was conveniently omitted in the so-called "revised" version of the book.) In addition, apparently one of the Colonel's friends responsible for doing layout on the book did a poor job of masking, for when one carefully checks the "Computer and Laser Photo Examination" section of Pleiades, one finds De Anza Systems mentioned again- this time at the extreme right edge of computer enhancement photos No. 2 and 6 (from rt. to left) depicted on page 53 (also note that one must count the pages because they are not numbered). If this isn't an "implication" that De Anza had something to do with the analysis, Wendelle, then what is it?

For the record, it was through reading Wendelle's book that Korff first learned of De Anza Systems and thus contacted them. Both

Korff and Moore conducted personal interviews with officials of De Anza, and learned that the Genesis III involvement with that company were indeed somewhat curious. Stevens and his associates did not go to De Anza because they had the best equipment for this sort of work, but because they claimed that they were interested in purchasing equipment and wanted a free demonstration. In the words of Ken Dinwiddie, the "edge identification" man referred to by Stevens, De Anza's equipment "is not analytical in nature". The sole reason that De Anza elected to demonstrate enhancement techniques on some of the Meier photos was because they honestly believed that they were dealing with potential customers for their product. Stevens and Jim Dilettoso then proceeded to take photographs off of the display screens with a small polaroid camera and never returned. According to all accounts, including Stevens to Moore in June of 1981, it was Jim Dilettoso who was the so-called "expert" utilized by Genesis III to do their "testing". Dilettoso's impeccable credentials consist of six years at the University of Connecticut without benefit of a degree, and considerable experience with "laser" light displays for rock concerts. A check of Science Citations Index (an exhaustive index of virtually every scientific paper published in the U.S. by author, source and year) for the years 1975-1981, lists not one single paper published by a James Dilettoso on the subject of computer analysis procedures, or for that matter on any other subject.

The report by Dr. Neil Davis that Wendelle referred to does not state that Meier's photos, or at least the one photo that Davis examined, are authentic. When Korff spoke to Dr. Davis, he was informed that the analysis was by no means conclusive because, "...the print that Wendelle gave me, claiming it was a second generation print, was at least third generation or better. Therefore, my analysis was pretty much inconclusive." Davis' statement that nothing was found during his examination of the print in question which would indicate a hoax, was seized upon by Genesis III to automatically mean that there was no hoax-- a convenient exaggeration on their part similar in nature to a cub reporter concluding at the scene of a crime that because no fingerprints were found, no crime could have been committed. (Enclosed are xerox copies of Davis' report. Note that no claim of authenticity is made.)



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The twenty-three "witnesses" that Stevens refers to are, in reality, the number of followers that Meier has recruited. Like the "Bo and Peep" scam of a few years ago, those who wish to "follow" Meier's teachings must relinquish personal property and a lot of money. We find it curious that Stevens mentions none of this; nor does he mention that Meier currently charges \$50.00 per hour (Swiss F.100,00) to grant interviews to the press.

As to the question of the point of origin of Billy Meier's "alien visitors", if they are not from the Pleiades, then why are they repeatedly referred to as "Pleiadeans"? Why is Wendelle's book entitled UFO... Contact from the Pleiades? Why does the text on page 21 (again, count the pages- they aren't numbered) clearly state, "It was from the Pleiades, 'The Seven Sisters', that these cosmonauts came."? Why are Semjase, Asket, Ptaal and Plaja repeatedly referred to as "Pleiadean cosmonauts"? Why can't Stevens even get his story straight?

The statement that Korff made in his book which claims that the Pleiades are only "some tens of millions of years old", was based on information supplied to him in a letter dated August 25, 1980 from Dr. J. Allen Hynek. Hynek, of all people, should know what he's talking about when he says that the Pleiades "are just about the worst group of stars (for extraterrestrial life) possible." After all, Hynek has been a professional astronomer for more than forty years. (Enclosed is a copy of Dr. Hynek's letter.) For those who require a "less biased" authority, however, well-known astronomer Robert Jastrow places the age of the stars in the Pleiades cluster at only 60 million years in his recent book Red Giants and White Dwarfs (NY: Norton, 1979). (A copy of the relevant page is also enclosed.)

Since the stars of the Pleiades cluster are mainly "type A" stars, it should be obvious to even the most casual astronomy buff that the chances of them being "one billion years old" is nil. Type A stars only have a lifespan of about 500 million years, and none is known to be much older-- including those that exist in the Pleiades.

The quotations by Hurtak as they appear in Korff's book were indeed copied correctly. In fact, Hurtak's statements were lifted verbatim from the APRO Bulletin. APRO received this information from

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Hurtak himself in a letter to Jim Lorenzen. A copy of this material is enclosed.

Wendelle's claims that the Pleiadeans appear to be 3,000 years ahead of us appear to be somewhat in conflict with statements published in Europe by Meier which indicate a figure of 5,000 years. Hurtak, Vogel and Korff all speak fluent german and have read Meier's literature. Either Wendelle has misinterpreted, Meier has changed his story, or the Pleiadeans have advanced another 2,000 years somewhere along the line. Given the weight of evidence in this case, all of the above are probably true.

The notion that Meier had no financial resources to have his camera repaired is patently absurd. If this is so, then how to explain his ability to bear the costs involved in purchasing and processing film sufficient to produce the more than 800 color photographs he has taken of alleged Pleiadean spacecraft? Even more absurd however is the fact that Stevens & Co. certainly possessed sufficient photographic equipment during their visit to Meier in Switzerland (see the many non-UKO photos in their book) to have been able to lend (or, given the alleged tremendous importance of Meier's pictures, even give) him a camera which was functioning properly. Are we to believe that such an idea never occurred to this group of supposedly competent investigators? Or is it perhaps that Meier did not want his photos to be taken with properly functioning equipment?

Again, contrary to Steven's claim, the statement that we made concerning camera optics is most certainly accurate. Indeed, the statement in question was written by Moore, who at one time operated his own professional photo service and who is quite versed on camera optics. However, just to prove our point, we asked Dr. Bruce Maccabee, an optical physicist by profession and photographic consultant to MUFON, if we were in error. Dr. Maccabee replied, in a letter dated January 6, 1982, that "The statement...which you have called to my attention (regarding camera optics) is essentially correct". (Enclosed is a copy of the letter in question.)

Dr. Vogel did not analyze just one of Meier's physical samples;

he analyzed three-- all of which were viewed by Korff and Sarah Rea at the doctor's home. Vogel obviously did choose to share his findings with Korff, otherwise how could Kal have quoted Dr. Vogel in his exposé? Furthermore, Stevens' ramblings about Omni and MIT's involvement in the analysis of the Meier samples are simply not true. Dr. Robert Ogilvie, the same metallurgist who analyzed the famed Ubatuba, Brazil, UFO fragments for Omni, did analyze Meier's samples and found them to be mundane at best. A further breakdown of Ogilvie's findings was presented in the exposé.

On yet another point, can Stevens honestly expect us to believe that he made no attempt in his book to connect the "great structures of (Earth's) history to the Pleiades" and that his book "only reported a few of the connections which had already been made by others...(which) were identified with quotes"? If this is so, then how to explain the following quotes not attributed to others which appear in the text of Pleiades?

"For the first time, a case continually presented known factors, not unknown... and now it presented historical connections as well."

(9th page from the end, bottom of left column.)

Or:

"An archeological bronze medallion...(17th Century B.C.), shows...a story of celestial visitation by beings who arrived in a disc-shaped craft from the sky. The seven dots enclosed in a circle...is believed to represent the Pleiades.

Wendell (sic.) C. Stevens"

(3d page from the end, bottom left.)

And never mind the title of the chapter in question, which just happens (by accident, perhaps) to be "The Pleiadean Connection". Of course Genesis III made no attempt to connect the great structures of history to the Pleiades. Everyone else merely misinterpreted.

Korff's statements about Meier claiming to have met with Jesus Christ were not based upon information supplied to him by Colman von Keviczky. The source of this information is the literature which Meier privately publishes (in German) in Europe. As previously mentioned, copies of this material are enclosed.



Von Keviczky did not spend just "one day" in Switzerland. This is a deliberate distortion of the truth. Keviczky was in Switzerland for four days and has previously informed Stevens of such. Also, Colman did indeed visit one of Meier's alleged "contact" sites. He did so in company with one Hans Jacob, a former follower (now turned defector) of Meier's (whom Stevens claims was "rejected" by the Pleiadeans). On pages 31-33 of Korff's book there appear a whole group of pictures that were taken at this site. Stevens has a copy of Korff's book and even a set of these prints which were supplied to him by Keviczky. Curiously, in a series of photos supposedly taken by Meier on this site, an alleged UFO is shown circling a large tree. In von Keviczky's photographs of the same site, the tree is missing. Stevens is on record as having given two quite different explanations for this apparent discrepancy. In the first instance, Stevens claimed that Meier had told him that the tree had been subjected to radiation from the Pleiadean spacecraft and had consequently disintegrated (even though the other vegetation in the area, and presumably Meier as well, were miraculously unaffected). Stevens' second explanation, however, was somewhat better. This time, the tree was simply transported into another time dimension. (À la double exposure, Wendelle?)

Wendelle's remark about having contacted many of the individuals listed in the "acknowledgements" section of Korff's book is yet another misstatement of truth, as is his claim that many of these people did not supply the information attributed to them. As proof, we openly invite any one of the individuals thus listed to write to MUFON, or to either of us directly, and state otherwise if the information attributed to them is incorrect.

The statement that Korff obtained first generation copies of Meier's photographs is true. Meier freely gave Wilfried Falk ten photos for analysis by GSW Inc. Meier also told Falk that he did intend to produce a book and "... (that) the expert opinions of Ground Saucer Watch shall have its place in it". As we all know, however, GSW's opinions never appeared in Stevens' book. Instead, Genesis III chose to include the results of their own "expert analysis", the results of which, as we have already shown, were nothing more than the product of their own imaginations.

The photographs that Falk sent to GSW, and which were later forwarded to Korff, were not in slide form- nor did they come from Hans Schutzbach. Stevens knows better, but still insists upon misrepresenting the truth. (Copies of these first generation prints are enclosed for MUFON's files also.) Falk never stole any prints from Meier. Meier gave them to Falk of his own free will. It is important to note here also that Stevens' source for his assertion that "no first generation copies of the photos were let out of Meier's hands" is none other than Meier himself.

As for the photos that Colman von Keviczky received from Hans Jacob, these were indeed stolen from Meier. These pictures, for those who are interested, show models of UFOs in the Meier barn, slightly altered Swiss farmer's hats made to look like flying saucers, and a whole array of other equally damning evidence. These photos, plus much more, appear in Korff's book.

When Wendelle attempts to tackle the analysis that GSW did on Meier's photos, he makes one very dangerous assumption- that Spatial Data Systems aided GSW in their work. Anyone even remotely familiar with the operation of GSW knows that the organization contracts out to at least five firms which possess image enhancement equipment. Unfortunately for Wendelle Stevens, Spatial Data Systems was not the company responsible for the work performed on the Meier photos. And so (alas) with that revelation, Stevens' lengthy argument about the supposed problems with the enhancement techniques and the alleged technical limitations of the equipment used by Spatial Data Systems is reduced quite literally to the level of absurdity since none of it has any relevant application to the situation at hand. As of this writing, GSW has not authorized the release of the name of the contractor who did perform the enhancements in question, but suffice it to say that we are satisfied that the work was of high quality.

Before we leave the subject to Spatial Data Systems however, it seems essential here to take a moment to point out that even concerning this matter, the "information" supplied by Stevens in his supposedly authoritative response appears to be seriously flawed in both quality and reliability. To begin with, Spatial Data Systems' video camera

is by no means "cheap". Nor is their image enhancement equipment. The statement by Stevens that "They didn't even have a light table and no filters and lens attachments at all for the camera" is pure rubbish. And to illustrate the point, we enclose a copy of the SDS catalog of their image enhancement equipment. Do please note the light table, filters, the histogram and pseudo density slicing modes, etc. (MUFON files).

Perhaps even more indicative of Wendelle's general unreliability however is his boldfaced statement that "Spacial Data Systems... (processed photos sent to them) in a program designed for them by Dr. Bruce Maccabee...(and that) Dr. Maccabee had done a good job of designing a program where none existed previously." Contrary to what Wendelle says, Dr. Bruce Maccabee never designed a program for Spatial Data Systems. Maccabee initially confirmed this (while expressing surprise that Stevens would even make such a statement) in a conversation with Moore in Washington, DC, on October 26, 1981. More recently he reaffirmed it to Korff in writing as follows:

"I have never communicated with SDS in regards to the development of a program for them. The SDS program seems to be quite good without my help. Thus, although I appreciate the compliment...I must admit that whatever program Stevens was referring to, it was not developed by me. I can't imagine where he got this 'information'." (emphasis added)

In truth, Stevens received this "information" from Genesis III's own "computer scientist", Jim Dilettoso-- a source that even Wendelle has previously characterized (verbally) as "unreliable", but by the same token continues to quote whenever it seems convenient to do so.

Stevens' remarks that Genesis III conducted an independent analysis of Meier's photographs are also questionable. In fact, what they did was to obtain free equipment demonstrations wherever possible; most notably at the SPIE (Society of Photographic Instrumentation Engineers) Symposium in San Diego in 1979, where one witness has reported that they visited in the neighborhood of thirty "information & demonstration" booths. Stevens and Dilettoso then "read" the "results" thus obtained to provide the "analytical" phase of the process. The



reason that results of a competent, impartial, independent scientific analysis of the Meier photos has never appeared is quite simply because such an analysis has never been performed. Indeed, Stevens and Genesis III have been challenged to produce their "evidence" for impartial evaluation, and have not only refused to do so, but have refused to even provide the courtesy of answering the correspondence involved. In addition, even more recently, Stevens verbally admitted to Moore in Tucson that he does not possess first generation copies of any of the Meier photographs, while at the same time carefully sidestepping Moore's offer to arrange for an independent analysis of the slides he does possess- which he claims (upon assurances from none other than Billy Meier himself) are second generation copies.

GSW's statement that some of the images in Meier's photographs are out-of-focus is also entirely correct. This fact becomes obvious upon mere visual examination of the photographs in question. It doesn't take a digital computer to come to this conclusion. In fact, we invite Wendelle to prove GSW wrong on this point- or any other for that matter, so long as he can stick to facts, trigonometrical calculations, etc., and avoid tall tales accompanied by charismatic handwaving.

Stevens' quaint little "experiment" of having photographed a small model between four and six feet away is yet another excellent example of his inability to address the issues at hand. The question is not whether objects far away would be in focus if a picture was taken of a nearby model, with the camera focused on the model. The question is whether or not one can obtain reasonable focus on a nearby model when the camera is focused "just short of infinity", as (allegedly) is Meier's camera. As a matter of fact, the key to the matter is the use of as small an "f" stop as possible. Indeed, Moore tried a few experiments of his own and succeeded magnificently in producing good quality photos of a four inch diameter plastic UFO model. (See color test slides Nos. 1 & 2 enclosed which are photographed at six and twelve feet respectively. Note the wealth of objects in slide one which illustrate depth of field from slightly less than five feet to more than fifteen miles.) Admittedly Moore's model is nowhere near as elaborate as

Meier's, but it is sufficient to show the sort of effects than can be produced. Clearly it is possible to produce "UFO" photographs utilizing small models close to the camera.

Concerning Wendelle's contention that "the Swiss sky in (Meier's) vicinity is usually white" and that such a sky does not usually cast shadows, it should be noted that there are shadows visible in many of Meier's photos. Admittedly they are slight and take some looking, but they are there in many cases. It should be pointed out here, however, that before Genesis III published these photos in their book, they had them "enhanced" to make them look more presentable (or perhaps to hide any hint of balloons and supporting structures?). Fortunately Korff acquired first generation copies of these photos, some of which appear in his book.

As to the matter of the suspension "string" which clearly shows up in one of GSW's enhancements, let us begin by stating that the enhancement in question is not cropped. Nor are there any other "artifacts" present either. If one looks carefully, the string does indeed extend all the way up to the top of the frame. A more refined enhancement was later performed using the color contouring edge enhancement mode, which also revealed the entire string and verified the fact that the "artifact" was a supportive wire or thread. But just in case there may still be some doubt in this matter, Moore hereby renews his offer to arrange a competent independent analysis of the internegative in question, providing of course that Wendelle Stevens will agree to submit same with no strings attached (no pun intended, naturally). (How about it, Wendelle? Put up or shut up!)

As Dr. Maccabee has pointed out, the computer can only detect what is actually in the film to begin with. Since Meier appears to have used transparent fishing line (as did Moore in his test photos) to hang his models, much of the strings in his photos simply aren't visible due to his use of an advantageous photographic angle. However the portions which are visible, having been illuminated by the rays of the sun, just happened to have been close enough for the film to have resolved them. It doesn't really matter whether four inches or four feet of string was detected- the fact remains that a string (or, if

you prefer, a "supportive device") was detected through computer enhancements. (To show that no "cropping" was done, copies of the original photos showing the strings are enclosed for MUFON's files.) If Stevens has any hard evidence to the contrary in this matter, let him present it. (Indeed, Wendelle actually admitted to Moore before an audience in Tucson (World University, November 21, 1981) that he really didn't have any hard evidence in the Meier case, but rather chose to rely upon his own impression of things!)

The notion, as put forth by Stevens, that Meier shot all of his 800 or so photos "from the hip" (since he couldn't look through his camera) is yet another of Stevens' absurdities. It is simply an <sup>"from the hip"</sup> impossibility for anyone to take 800 photographs of a flying object and have the craft come out reasonably framed in every photo! Just how naïve does the Colonel think we are? In fact, just out of curiosity, Moore tried this technique with a kite and a roll of twenty exposure film. He managed to get the kite in all of three frames- none of which had it centered. (One wonders, in light of this, whether perhaps Meier might not have "pre-exposed" his film before ever putting it in his camera. Or for that matter, whether Stevens & Co. ever bothered to check to see if the camera Billy claimed to be using actually worked at all? Consider the scenario of several of Billy's confederates pre-exposing the UFO-model pictures at leisure and then quietly passing the already exposed film to Billy, who then passes it off as fresh film to "the investigators". This accomplished, he loads his trusty camera in full view of the gullible and toodles off into the countryside on his putt-putt to shoot pictures of "visitors from the Pleiades" with a camera that doesn't even work! Of course, when the pictures are developed- voilà! And all with one arm too!)

Wendelle's claims that "the nearest (photographic) lab to Meier is 80 kilometers away" doesn't seem to ring true either- especially when one realizes that Canton Zurich (where Meier lives) is only some fifty kilometers across at its widest point, and that three major cities, Zurich (430,000 pop.), Winterthur (92,500 pop.) and Schaffhausen (32,400 pop.) all lie within thirty kilometers of the Meier farm.



Statements (oft repeated verbally by Stevens, but not a part of his "Response") to the effect that the Meier farm is without benefit of running water, electricity or barn are all belied by photos which appear in the Pleiades book. Evidence of all three is clearly visible if one takes the time to look carefully.

But getting back to the photos; the photo that Stevens says appeared in UFOs and Space but claims was "not shown by Korff", does indeed appear on pages 8 & 9 of Korff's book. Also, the branches of the tree in the photo allegedly taken by Meier on March 29, 1976 near Hasenbol-Langenberg, are indeed behind the "UFO". Edge enhancement processing clearly establishes this, and it is clearly visible in Kal's book.

Finally, it is our considered opinion that Wendelle Stevens' "case" for Billy Meier is literally built of the stuff from which dreams are made, and is therefore non-existent. No matter how many "Responses" or rebuttals he cares to make, there simply does not appear to be any way he can rebuild the damage he has done to his own reputation because of his involvement in this unfortunate affair. In UFO-logy, credibility is everything. Without it, we fear that Wendelle will continue to sink deeper and deeper into the mire of his own making (pun fully intended!).